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Gun Talk.

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"Quite a long shot, but we frequently make these kind with our Folley guns. L.'s is the best gun I ever saw fired with all kinds of shot, and mine—well, I won't brag."—*Guyon in* CHICAGO FIELD, *May 12th.*

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Did you ever see one of Chicago's fairest and most fashionable daughters hanging enchanted over some marvel of Worth's rare genius, some delicate combination of silk and velvet calculated to inspire in every feminine heart the covetous desire of being its unique possessor? Did you ever see a transcendant Boston girl awe struck and enraptured on the verge of "the unfathomable" in her searching after the infinite," or a doting mother and grand-dame in ecstasy over the first tiny pearl in baby Blossom's rose bud mouth, or Brillat Savarin, regarding with appreciative eyes a repast worthy of his epicurean attention, or an admirer of the music of the future who feels his soul borne away on the waves of harmony in the long, rolling grand rythmal measurses of Di eWalkurie? If you have seen any, or all of these, then you can form some idea of the impression left on my mind by the sight of "Guyon" holding that gun in his hand and expiating upon its merits. How tenderly he drew it from its rosewood case, how caressingly he adjusted the barrels, how glowingly he depicited the wonders of its range—and how delightful also—all this to an admiring observer and listener—not myself, indeed, but a brother sportsman capable of understanding and appreciating the beauties undiscernible to one of the gentler sex. Then it was transferred to his companion who raised it to his shoulder, felt its weight, examined it critically, approved it enthusiastically and gave it back half reluctantly, while its proud possessor laid it away in its dainty resting-place as carefully as I would have put away the Kooh-i-noor, if some strange turn in the wheel of fortune had made me its owner.

At one time I used to wonder at the fondness of sportsmen for their favorite guns, but I understand the feeling better now. I have known one of the noblest and most generous hearts that ever throbbed in a manly bosom grow churlish where his gun was concerned, and refuse to lend it to a friend. I think it must have been the only time in his life he ever withheld a favor, but no profane hand should trifle with the most treasured articles in his hunting equipment. Dogs, horses, everything else he was ready to place at the service of his comrades in the field, but his gun never, at least the gun he reserved for his exclusive use. I have heard other sportsmen express the same disinclination toward allowiug their guns to be used by others; but, dear CHICAGO FIELD, did you ever meet one who did not think his own the best of all?

But let me tell you the after fate of that gun that my dear old friend refused to lend to his solicitous acquaintance. It was before the days of breech-loaders, and "down South" a "Williams & Powell" held a high reputation; of course it must have deserved it if a high price was any evidence of its merits. This gun was by those celebrated makers, and was, as I said, the especial pride of its owner. The war broke out and the Federal blue made its appearance in our section, and the precious gun was hidden away; but to no purpose. One day a long stream of foragers passed down the road; a party diverged from the main body, entered the grounds, and, when they left with mules, wagons, and other necessities for the march, the gun, as being contraband of war, was borne away also, and, I believe, was regretted more than anything else that was taken.

The next day the troops came marching back, and we were watching them "dragging their slow length along," when one of our party exclaimed—

"As sure as I live, E——, they are going to Flora!"

"Impossible!" I answered; "what could they want with her?"

But D—'s surmise was correct. Flora was the leader of a lovely pack of beagles—a delicate little creature, fleet as an arrow, and from the day she joined the pack she and I had become fast friends—her quick motion, her quaint, roguish eye, her playful, affectionate manner, all being very attractive. Flora, with feminine curiosity, had darted across the lawn and stood shrilly barking at the novel procession, when he rode along. He was a captain, dear FIELD, and he ought to have set his men a better example. Perhaps he had the eye of a hunter, and it singled Flora from the rest of her four-footed companions, who were also loudly proclaiming their disdain of of the whole proceeding. He gave some hurried order, and two men left the ranks, came in, and one secured the astonished Flora, holding her close to his breast with one hand, while with the other he gesticulated and tried to make me understand, in broken English, for I had flown to her rescue, that it was not his fault, that it was the Herr Kauptmann made him do it. And the Herr Hauptmann, who sat on horseback some distance up the road, impatiently waved to his men to come on. They left with their struggling prize, the man who carried her apparently ashamed of the action, while I returned to the house tearfully indignant. Never did "Mohawk," in his maddest moment, when the theft of his darling Banche was made known to him, never did he feel so bitterly as I did then. On passed the troops, and as the last of them filed past, an officer rode in and up to the gallery where we were standing. He entered into conversation, and, when he heard of Flora's abduction, he turned to me, assuring me that if she was in camp when he reached there, that she should be restored to me. This gentleman's name was Smith, and he was from New England. Faithfully he kept his word. The next day a messenger was sent into the town, which was occupied by the Federal troops. He passed the lines safely and sought out Captain Smith, who accompanied him in his guests for Flora. It was a weary round, but at last they found her in the "Herr Hauptmann's" tent, securely tied to prevent her flight. She was given up most unwillingly, but the gun was never seen again by its owner. An order from the general in command was the open sesame that admitted the seeker into the room where the captured guns were stacked, but it was not among them. Out of thirty or forty brought in on that occasion it was the only one missing. We always supposed that the "Herr Hauptmann" with the eye of a hunter saw, approved of it and appropriated it. If he ever in after days on a clear frosty morning in the hunting season, tramping over the dry stubble with that gun on his shoulder did not feel a twinge of conscience remembering how it came into his possession—from my heart I pity him. Perhaps the poor Herr Hauptmann never lived to enjoy his prize. He may be slumbering peacefully under the green sod at Port Hudson or have sighed his last breath away on some battle-scarred plain far from his well-beloved Vaterland.

ARNOLD BURGES.

As I write, I recall a painful termination to the anxiety of its owner to retain a valuable gun that was being wrested from him. It was during the war, and this gentleman—a wealthy planter—took no part in active affairs, remaining quietly at home with his wife and family, as they had no other protector. One day a body of armed men surrounded the house. They were neither Federals nor Confederates, but the much dreaded jay-hawkers whose visits were far more to be feared by the Southern people than those of the enemy. After appropriating whatever struck their fancy they demanded his guns, telling him they had information that he had three, and that an ardent sportsman as he was known to be certainly had fine ones. Resistance was in vain. The guns were brought. He gave them two, still reserving his favorite fowling-piece, earnestly requesting that he might be permitted to retain it, even as a means of defence, he living in a secluded position, with few white neighbors. With a terrible oath, crying out that he "was tired of this," the leader of the jay-hawkers raised his gun and fired—the shot pierced the brain of the planter, who sank quivering to the floor amid the shrieks of his horror-stricken family. After tearing the ear-rings from the ears of the young girls, they rode away, first setting fire to the cotton bales that had been brought from the gin-house and were stored under the dwelling in a place of security. They rode away, leaving death, the fire-fiend and desolation behind them, where a short hour before a happy united household were living peacefully under the smile of heaven. This, dear FIELD, was one of the horrors of horrors that those who read about them could never understand unless they had the misfortune to witness them.

And now for a story about a gun with a ludicrous ending to it. D—— was an amateur sportsman; had his situation in life placed him where sporting was available, he would, indeed, have been a wily woods man," but it was only at certain seasons he could throw off the shackles of business, and then—ho! for the woods and fields. He happened at one time to make the acquaintance of a gentleman who claimed England as his motherland, one who could charm the hours away discoursing on the delights of the chase, and who never ceased lamenting the fallen fortune that had driven him to a foreign land, exiled from friends and home. One day he entered the office, unwrapped carefully from its folds of green flannel a handsome gun, and held it up before D——'s admiring gaze.

"Is it not a beauty, Mr. D——? It has been my companion for several years, and nothing but stern necessity forces me to part with it. Slight, sir, as is my acquaintance with you, I feel that you can value it. It is yours at half the original cost." "But," said D——, "I really have no use for it. I have, as you are aware, a fine gun already."

Mr. Blank was an adept in the art of persuasion, and D—— had an inherited weakness for anything pertaining to the sportsman line. He bought the gun, although he had no use for it, and kept it at the office to exhibit his bargain to congenial friends. Some days after the purchase Mr. Blank hurried into the office, rolled his eyes over to the corner where the gun was standing, and exclaimed: "How fortunate, Mr. D——, that the gun is here yet! I have just met an old friend, a *bon camarade* of mine of former years; may I take the gun to show it to him, if agreeable to you?"

"Certainly" said D——, looking up from his writing, "certainly, Mr. Blank. Take it with pleasure."

"I'll be back in ten minutes," said Mr. Blank, looking in at the door as he went out. How long must ten minutes be in the estimation of Mr. Blank and others of his class! The ten minutes lengthened into hours, the hours into years. D—— never saw Mr. Blank or his gun again.

I left "Guyon" admiriug his gun, and "Pious Jeems" seconding his admration, while my pen has wandered away on other subjects. Much to "Pious'" regrets that dear "Guyon" could not accept his invitation to go to Lochinvar to hunt moss head turkeys with him. The season was spring, superb in that Southern clime, but "Guyon's" professional duties held him at Corinth. Still the beards he sent you showed that he did not lack forsport in his own neighborhood, while "Pious" did deadly execution among the royal birds in his own domains. One long grey beard is near me where I am writing, reviving many pleasant memories of beautiful "Lochinvar."

ELLEN ALICE.

UNIFORM TARGETTING.—St. Louis, May 22, 1877.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—"Gloan's" article in your last issue will meet with approval of sportsman generally, and it is to be hoped will accomplish its purpose. Uniform targetting cannot fail to benefit us materially; but you may as well prepare yourself for innumerable articles on the *best gun in America*, and the *best target ever made.* Last week Col. Chas. L. Hunt began preparation for the most exhaustive targetting that we have ever had here. Col. H. is president of the St. Louis Patent Shell Co., and interested to enthusiasm in the success of the St. Louis shell. Several times he has had experimental targetting on a small scale, all of which have been satisfactory, but now he is going into it systematically. The relative merits of individual guns are a secondary consideration in this case; what he is after is the merits of the St. Louis shell, especially for small charges, compared with Ely's and the U. M. shells. Several gentlemen are invited to spend the day at Col. Hunt's country place, probably next Thursday, to conduct the targetting. One of the number will act as secretary, or scorer, and keep a correct account of every individual target and of every average target for a given charge. Shells will be loaded on the grounds before all present, and carefully marked. Six or twelve of each separate load, and of each make of shell will be fired, and the individual and average score taken before the next class is commenced. The charges will probably be 1½ drs. of powder and 1 oz. of No. 6 shot; 1½ drs, and 1 oz. No. 8 shot; 1½ drs. and 1¼ oz. No. 6 shot; 1½ drs. and 1¼ oz. No. 8 shot; 2 drs. and 1 oz. No. 6; 2 drs. and 1 oz. No. 8; 2 drs. and 1¼ oz. No. 6; 2 drs. and 1¼ oz. No. 8; 2 drs. and 1¼ oz. No. 6; 2 drs. and 1¼ oz. No. 8; and so on, gradually increasing the powder until five drachms are reached, with probably 1⅝ or 1½ oz. shot. All charges are to be fired from 10 and 12 bore guns—choke and open barrels, the guns to be the best to be had here, among them Mr. Wilson's Greener, 10 choke, Mr. Dabney Carr's 10 open and choked Nichols and Lefever, Col. Hunt's open Dougall 12 bore, and others as good. An equal number of each make of shells, and an equal number of each charge. Probably an equal number of each charge, using different wads on powder and shot. This last idea, advanced by Gloan, has more merit than almost any other feature of targetting. It is claimed for the St. Louis shell that its penetration is twenty-five per cent. better, with certain charges, than other shells, and that its concentration or pattern is equally better. These trials will demonstrate it, perhaps, satisfactorily. No doubt the targetting will be made at thirty or forty yards—an equal number at each distance. The pads used will be uniform. I will forward you the detailed result, and, I hope, it may prove of interest to your readers and induce others to adopt Gloan's suggestions. Respectfully, JOHN W. MUNSON.

The Horse.

The National Trotting Association.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

B-174.—SECRETARY'S OFFICE, HARTFORD, CONN., May 5, 1877.—J. W. Mix, Camden, N. Y., and the b m Lulu (runner), suspended by order of the Newark Driving Park, T. S. Hooper, proprietor, Newark, N. Y., under date of July 21, 1876, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claim having been settled.

May 9th.—Charles P. Doble, Philadelphia, Pa., and the d g Gold Dust, who were suspended by order of the Chester County Agricultural Society, West Chester, Pa., under date of November 28, 1874, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claim having been paid.

May 12th.—John A. Batchelor, Chicago, Ill., and the b g John H., who were suspended by order of the following associations under dates recited, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claims having been settled, to wit: by order of the Utica Park Association, Utica, N. Y., August 19, 1876; by order of the Rochester Driving Park Association, Rochester, N. Y., August 23, 1876; by order of the Hudson River Park Association, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., August 31, 1876; by order of the Connecticut Stock Breeders' Association, Hartford, Conn., September 9, 1876; by order of the Hampden Park Association, Springfield, Mass., September 16, 1876.

W. Perry, Burlington, Vt., and the g m Laura Williams, who were suspended by order of Beacon Park, D. W. Beckler, proprietor, Boston, Mass., under date of July 11, 1876, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claim having been settled.

B-175.—May 14, 1877.—John Ramsey, Malden, Mass., and the b g Carl W., who were suspended by order of Mystic Park, John T. Hicks, proprietor, under date of September 23, 1876, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claim having been settled. [N. B.—John Ramsey and the b g Carl W., remains suspended under date of October 3, 1876.]

Stephen Hayes, Natick, Mass., and the b g Shore Boy, who were suspended by order of the Granite State Park, Hicks Bros., proprietors, Dover, N. H., under date of October 7, 1876, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claim having been settled. [N. B.—Stephen Hayes remains suspended under the following dates: January 10, 1874; October 21, 1875; and October 6, 1876. And the b g Shore Boy, remains suspended under date of October 6, 1876.]

The b g Wolford Z, which was suspended by order of the Virginia Driving Park Association, Virginia, Ill., under date of November 7, 1876, under authority of Rule 48, has been reinstated, by order of the said association.

J. W. Mix, Camden, N. Y., the b m Lulu (runner) and the blk g Winnie (runner) who were suspended by order of the Medina Driving Park Association, Medina, N. Y., under date of June 30, 1876, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claim having been settled.

Charles P. Doble, Philadelphia, Pa., and the br m Lizzie C., who were suspended by order of the Doylestown Agricultural and Mechanics' Institute, Doylestown, Pa., under date of October 12, 1876, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claim having been settled.

B-176.—May 18, 1877.—H. S. Smith, Guilford, Vt., and the g g Warwick, who were suspended by order of the "Hampden Park Association, Springfield, Mass., under date of Sept. 16, 1876, for non payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said claim having been settled.

The br g McBride, which was suspended by order of the Earl Park Association, Earlville, Ill., under date of Sept. 5, 1876, for non-payment of entrance-money, has been reinstated, said claim having been paid.

[N. B.—The br g McBride remains suspended under date of August 28, 1876.]

H. S. Town, Morrisville, Vt., who was suspended by order of the Prospect Driving Park Association, Montpelier, Vt., under date of November 3, 1876, for non-payment of entrance-money, has been reinstated, he having been erroneously suspended.

May 19.—W. W. Hamilton, Freeport, Ill., who was suspended by order of the Virginia Driving Park Association, Virginia, Ill., under date of November 7, 1876, under authority of Rule 48, has been reinstated, by order of said association. THOS. J. VAIL, Secretary.

Entries to Stakes of the Trotting Horse Breeders.

The following flattering list of entries to the stakes of the National Association of Trotting Horse Breeders will probably establish the fact that they can manage their own affairs as to programmes, rules and regulations without the interference of the National Trotting Association. The stakes closed May 1.

CLASS No. 1.

Stake for Foals of 1874 (*twenty entries.*)

H. C. McDowell's (Frankfort, Ky.) f Fiction, by Princeps, dam Roma, by Golddust; 2d dam Prima, by Pilot, Jr.; 3d dam by Black Snake, full sister to Romance.

G. M. Jewett's (Zanesville, O.) b f Maid of Fair Oaks, white hind ankles, by Duke of Brunswick, dam Belle Moore, by Hanley's Hiatoga.

J. C. McFerran's (Louisville, Ky.) blk filly, small spot on forehead, foaled in 1874, by Cuyler, son of Hambletonian, dam by American Clay; 2d dam by Davy Crockett; bred by J. C. McFerran & Son.

Z. E. Simmons' (New York City) blk f Annie, by George Wilkes, dam by Mambrino Pilot.

Z. B. Van Wyck's (Flatbush, L. I.) b g Frank Crook, foaled March 17, 1874, star on forehead, two white feet behind, by Jupiter Abdallah, dam Lady Woodruff, by Tom Wonder, her dam by old Abdallah.

C. W. Griswold's (New York City) b c King Almont, star in forehead, by Almont, dam Jennie, by Crockett's Arabian, the dam of May Queen.

C. S. Burr's (Comac, L. I.) blk f Friendship, blaze and strip, white hind legs, foaled April 8, 1874, by Messenger Duroc, son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Hattie Hogan, by Harry Clay, son of Neaves' Cassius M. Clay; 2d dam Nellie Sayre, by Seely's American Star; 3d dam by Hulse's Hickory.

L. Stanford's (San Francisco, Cal.) br f Elaine, white hind ankles, foaled May 11, 1874, by Messenger Duroc, dam Green Mountain Maid, by Harry Clay.

C. Backman's (Stony Ford, N. Y.) b g Adelphi, white near hind ankle, white off hind foot, foaled May 16, 1874, by Messenger Duroc, dam Adele, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian.

S. F. Knapp's (New York City) g f, foaled in 1874, by Blackstone, dam by Noble's Hambletonian; 2d dam by Engineer, the sire of Lady Suffolk.

C. S. Burr's (for owner) (Comac, L. I.) ch f Clark Maid, foaled 1874, got by Messenger Duroc, dam Daisy, of Witherell Messenger blood.

C. Stanford's (Schenectady, N. Y.) b c Hambletonian Mohawk, white hind ankles, foaled June, 1874, by Mohawk Chief, son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam by Rysdyk's Hambletonian; 2d dam by Exton Eclipse; 3d dam by Hambletonian; 4th dam by imp. Messenger.

J. D. Willis' (Brooklyn, N. Y.) br filly, no marks, foaled June 16, 1874, by Norwood, dam by Arabian Girl, by Arabian Chief, he by Toronto Chief; 2d dam by Kentucky Hunter.

S. J. Morgan's (Stonington, Conn.) b c Star Duroc, star and two hind feet white, by Messenger Duroc, dam by American Star.

Major T. Morton's (Newburgh, N. Y.) ch g Jack Arkchol, foaled July 9, 1874, white hind leg and face, white spot on each knee, by Wilkins Micawber, dam Old Kate the dam of Brunette and Bruno.

Prospect Hill Stock Farm's (Hartford Conn.) b c Judge Gilman, foaled 1874, stripe in face and one hind ankle, by Rysdyk, son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Gretchen, by Choseroes; 2d dam Lady Fallis, the dam of Socrates and Norwood.

Wm. Knapp's (New York City) chestnut colt, by Harold, dam by Woodford, foaled May 2, 1874.

R. Penistan's (New York City) br s Watchman, foaled 1874, by Sentinel, he by Hambletonian, dam Country Girl, by Country Gentleman, he by Hambletonian; 2d dam the dam of Joe Hooker by Canadian Chief; 3d dam by Kavanangh: also.

B f Effie, foaled 1874, by Almont, he by Alexander's Abdallah, dam by Kentucky Chief, by Mambrino Chief; 2d dam by Dr. Herr's Bellfounder.

W. E. Peet's (New York City) b g Pilgrim, by a son of Garibaldi, pedigree of dam untraced.

CLASS No. 2.

Stake for Foals of 1873 (*fourteen entries*)

Z. E. Simmon's (New York City) b g Busbey, by George Wilkes dam by Daniel Lambert.

C. Backman's (Stony Ford, N. Y.) ch f Olivia, blaze in face, white legs, foaled May 18, 1873, by Messenger Duroc, dam Adele, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian.

C. S. Curr's (Comac, L. I.) blk c Hogarth, stripe in face, white under lip, off fore leg, and both hind legs, foaled May 1, 1873, by Messenger Duroc, dam Hattie Hogan, by Harry Clay; 2d dam Nelly Sayres, by Seely's American Star; 3d dam by Hulse's Hickory.

H. C. McDowell's (Frankfort, Ky.) blk f Romance, by Princess dam Roma, by Golddust; 2d dam Prima, by Pilot, Jr.; 3d dam by Black Snake.

W. Mason's (Taunton, Mass.) b f Galatea, by Fearnaught, dam Grand Duchess, by Hanley's Hiatoga.

T. B. Jackson's (Brooklyn, N. Y.) b c Welcome, star on forehead and white on hind coronets, by Aberdeen, son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Grecian Bend, by Jupiter Abdallah, grandam by Tornado, by American Eclipse; great grandam by Columbus, son of Sir Archie.

T. H. Green's (Albany, N. Y.) b c Beaverwyck, star in forehead, little white on inside of both hind heels, by Aberdeen, dam by Young Columbus; 2d dam by Broken-Legged Hunter, foaled April 19, 1873.

S. J. Morgan's (Stonington, Conn.) b c Caloric, by Ericsson, dam by Alexander's Edwin Forrest, grandam by Woodford.

J. D. Willis, Brooklyn, N. Y.) b g Tommy Norwood, strip in face, nigh hind ankle white, foaled April 25, 1873, by Norwood, dam by General Knox; 2d dam by a son of Eaton Horse.

W. Sargent's (for owner, Brooklyn, N. Y.) b c Norwood Chief, foaled April 29, 1873, by Norwood, dam Mary Drew, by old Drew; 2d dam by Stone's Messenger.

R. Penistan's (New York city) ch c Hannibal, 16 hands, star, by Woodford Mambrino, dam Lady McKinney; also,

Bay gelding Leon Medium, four white feet, stripe on nose, by Happy Medium (son of Hambletonian), dam Blanche Patchen; pedigree not traced.

E. Geer's (for owner) (Columbia, Tenn.) blk f Allie West, little white on one hind foot, by Almont, dam Young Kate, by McDonald's Mambrino Chief.

M. B. Bush's (Buffalo, N. Y.) black colt, foaled May, 1873, Allie East, by Allie West, he by Almont, dam a pacing mare; pedigree unknown.

CLASS No. 3.

Stake for Foals of 1872 (*five entries*).

A. H. Sweeney's (West Troy, N. Y.) b c Chieftain, by Wm. Miner, dam by Pharoah; 2d dam Monmouth Beauty, by Bay Duroc; Wm. Miner's pedigree not traced.

W. E. Poet's (New York city) b c Montezuma, by Edward Everett, dam by Alexander's Abdallah.

W. H. Wilson's (Cynthiana, Ky.) ch s Post Boy, by Magic, dam by Berkely's Ned Forrest.

J. Morgan's (Stonington, Conn.) b s Happy Thought, star and three white feet, by Happy Medium, dam by Strader's Cassius M. Clay, grandam by Glencoe.

R. Penistan's (New York city) b r Glenwood, 16 1 hands, by Blackwood, dam Katie (dam of Wait-a-bit), by Glencoe; 2d dam Medoc, by American Eclipse; 3d dam Kosciusko, by Sir Archie, by Diomed; 4th dam by Blackburn's Whip; 5th dam by Diomed.

CLASS No. 4.

2:20 class did not fill, only three entries being made, viz: Thorndale, Nil Desperandum and Blackwood, Jr. This stake has been re-opened, entries to close July 2, on same terms.

CLASS No. 5.

2:26 *Stallions* (*five entries*).

Z. B. Van Wyck's (Flatbush, L. I.) b s Tom Moore, stripe in face, two white hind feet, by Jupiter Abdallah, dam Nellie Moore, by Westchester.

A. J. McKimmin's (Nashville, Tenn.) b s Enfield, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Julia Machree, by American Star.

J. P. Wiser's (Prescott, Can.) blk s Phil. Sheridan, by Smith's Young Columbus, dam Black Fly, by a two-year-old son of Tippoo.

W. M. Parks' (for owner, New York city) b s Result, by Jupiter Abdallah, dam by Rysdyk's Hambletonian.

W. H. Sanders, Jr.'s (Clyde, N. Y.) blk s Young Wilkes, by George Wilkes, dam by Prince of Wales, he by Royal George, grandam by Hoagland's Messenger; foaled 1869.

CLASS No. 6.

2:40 *Stallions* (*five entries*).

S. J. Morgan's (Stonington, Conn.) b s Happy Thought by Happy Medium, dam by Strader's C. M. Clay.

Z. E. Simmons' (New York city) b s Confederate Chief, by Clark Chief, dam by Billy Towns.

D. Nevins, Jr.'s (South Farmingham) s Fearnaught, Jr., by Fearnaught, dam by Old Abdallah.

W. Mason's (Taunton, Mass.) b s Bay State, by Jay Gould, dam by Noble's Vermont Hambletonian.

W. E. Peet's (New York city) b s Montezuma, by Edward Everett, dam by Alexander's Abdallah.

CLASS No. 7.

Stake for green horses did not fill, there being but three entries, and the stake has been ordered reopened by the Executive Committee, on same terms, to close July 2, at the same time as the stake for foals of 1876.

CLASS No. 8.

Six Years Old (*five entries*).

Z. E. Simmons' (New York city) blk m Girlie, by Geo. Wilkes, dam by Nonpareil.

C. Kerner's (New York city) b m Lady Mills, by Choseroes, dam by a a son of American Star.

R. Penistan's (New York city) b g Carl S. Burr, foaled 1871, by Hambletonian, dam Kate, by Bellair, dam of Brunette, Bruno, Breeze, etc.

A. J. McKimmin's (Nashville, Tenn.) blk s Blackwood, Jr., by Blackwood.

S. J. Morgan's (Stonington, Conn.) ch s Piedmont, by Almont, dam by Mambrino Chief, grandam by Grey Eagle.

The Pool Bill.

The annexed petition addressed to the Governor of the great State of New York speaks for itself. It shows as clearly as the noonday sun in a cloudless sky, that not only the breeders and turfmen, but the leading men of Kentucky, Tennessee, and throughout the country generally, are fully impressed with the fact that the suppression of pool-selling will work irreparable injury to the turf and the great breeding interests of the country. This petition was written by Mr. B. G. Bruce, at the suggestion of some friends, to test the views of the public; and it was shown at Mr. McGrath's semi-annual dinner. There was not a breeder, turfman or gentleman present who did not sign it with the greatest alacrity. The names of the gentlemen attached to the petition should have the greatest weight, for they are not only leading men of the turf and have their thousands invested in breeding, but many of them have filled high places in the councils of the country, and they are well known throughout the length and breadth of America. There is no gambling element in this petition, but solid men, leading breeders, turfmen and gentlemen who represent the very tap-root of the turf. Something like two hundred and fifty names are attached to the petition forwarded to the Governor of New York, and ten times that number could have been obtained, if it had been necessary. Amongst the signers will be found such as the venerable and distinguished Ex-Governor J. F. Robinson, of Kentucky, Ex-Governor Beriah Magoffin, of Kentucky, Gen. Wm. Preston, formerly Minister to Spain, and First Vice-President of the Kentucky Association, Hon. J. B Beck, U. S, Senator from Kentucky, Hon. J. C. S. Blackburn, member of Congress from the Ashland District. Hon. Thomas E. Moss, Attorney General of Kentucky, Hon. Jno. M. Elliott of the Supreme Court of Kentucky, Gen. J. F. Robinson, Jr., President of the Kentucky Association, Capt. T. G. Bush, Second Vice-President, and D. Vertner Johnson, Secretary, M. Lewis Clarke, Jr., President of the Louisville Jockey Club, and Wm. Murphy, Secretary, Col. W. H. Johnson, President Nashville Blood Horse Association, Gen. W. G. Harding, the veteran breeder and proprietor of Belle Meade Stud Farm, M. H. Sanford, the distinguished breeder and owner of the Preakness Stud Farm, whose breeding stock at his North Elkhorn farm represent more than a quarter of a million of dollars; A. Keene Richards, owner of Blue Grass Stud Farm, Georgetown, Ky., Gen. A. Buford, Bosque Bonita Stud Farm, Midway, Ky., H. P. McGrath, McGrathiana Stud Farm, J. A. Grinstead, Walnut Hill Stud Farm; besides a number of owners of stables of horses, such as Dwyer Brothers, T. J. Nichols, Dixon & Wimmer, Green Clay, Williams & Owings, Jno. G. Berthune, Lawrence Hart, Lisle & Scully, McIntyre & Sweeny, J. H. Ewalt, S. J. Salyers, J. W. Crawford, W. A. Brown, G. Cadwallader, Major B. G. Thomas, M. B. Gratz, Capt. C. C. Morgan, Col. R. W. Woolley, Col. R. C. Winersmith, Capt. A. Pennington, Wm. M. Conner, Dr. J. W. Weldon, Jno. Sullivan, Queen City Jockey Club, Cincinnati, Ohio., D. Swigert, Stockwood Stud Farm, and a host of others.

To His Excellency, Lucius Robinson, Governor of the State of New York.

The undersigned breeders and turfmen of Kentucky and the southwest ask your excellence not to sign or give your legal approval to the Pool Bill, which recently passed the two houses of the General Assembly of New York. While we are opposed to pool selling on races, trots and elections in towns and cities, we feel confident that its abolition on the tracks of regular organized associations will be highly detrimental to the breeding interests of the country, without at all preventing men from betting on races. The turf is wholly dependent on subscriptions, private enterprise, and the revenue derived from pools, and not a whit upon aid from the State or General Government as in Europe; and it is by the means of the pool selling that the great interests of the turf are maintained. The moment the pools are abolished on the regular tracks by law, the value or prices of thoroughbreds and trotters will decrease one-half, and this will prove an incalculable damage to the breeding of the turf horse, the chief sourse from which our best stock must be derived.

We cannot conceive or believe that the evils of pool selling on the tracks of the country is greater than the importance of the improvement of this species of live stock. Betting cannot be suppressed. No power, not even that of an absolute government, can effect such a result. Why, then, sacrifice an immense material interest in which the present and future generations are so largely involved, for the sake of a false show of morality—false because wholly impracticable. If you approve the bill by your signature you will not lessen the amounts of money that will be hazarded on the turf; but you will take from the associations their chief means of giving their premiums, and thereby damage immeasurably the breeding interest of the country.—*Kentucky Live Stock Record.*

EASTERN HORSES IN TRAINING AT HOLMDEL, N. J.—Mr. Charles Lloyd has the following:

Fellowcraft, aged, by Australian—Aerolite. Reform, 6 years, by Leamington—Stolen Kisses. Acrobat, 6 years, by Lexington—Saline. Lewis, chestnut colt, 3 years, by Asteroid—Edina. Brown colt, 3 years, by Lexington—imp. Invercauld. Chestnut filly, 3 years, by imp. King Ernest—Jersey Belle. Chestnut filly, 3 years, by imp. Leamington—Emma Johnson. Black filly, 5 years, by imp. Eclipse—Vivandiere. Chestnut filly, 2 years, by imp. King Earnest—Jersey Belle.

Mr J. B. Pryor has:

St. Martin, 5 years, by Phaeton—Tokay. D'Artagnan, 5 years, by Lightning—Zingara. Janet Norton, 5 years, by Leamington—Carrie Atherton. Mettle, b h, 4 years, by Melbourne, Jr—Alumina. Faithless, blk m, 4 years, by Leamington—Felicity. Duke of Stroudsbourg, b c, 3 years, by Leamington—Carrie Atherton. Duchess, br f, by Leamington—Morlacchi. Retribution, ch f, 3 years, by Eclipse—Slasher Barbarity. Fascination, ch f, 3 years, by King Ernest—Enchantress. Pythoness, b f, 3 years, by Barbarian—Phyllis. Alleveur, b c, 2 years, by Gilroy—Sequin. Bumble Bee, ch c, 2 years, by Bonnie Scotland—Belladonna. Bay colt, 2 years, by Alarm, dam by Lexington. Arrogance, b c, 2 years, by Eclipse—Vanity. King Death, b c, 2 years, by Eclipse—Ruthless. Fop, blk c, 2 years, by Eclipse—Etiquette. Queen Mary, ch f, 2 years, by Eclipse—Mollie Jackson.

The following horses are in training at Brookdale Farm, Monmouth county, N. J.:

Chamois, b m, 4 years, by Lord Clifton—Chamade. Cyclone, ch m, by Parmesan—Typhoon. Erl King, br c, 3 years, by King Ernest—Elsie. Miss Bassett, 3 years, by Lexington—Canary Bird (sister to Harry Bassett). Brown colt, 2 years, by King Ernest—Mimi. Chestnut filly, 2 years, by King Ernest—Dawdle. Chestnut filly, 2 years, by Australian—Geneva. Brown filly, 2 yearf, by Lexington—Invercauld. Bay filly, 2 years, by Planet—Veratis. Chestnut filly, 2 years, by Planet—Fanchon. Bay filly, 2 years, by King Ernest—Fray.

The above horses will be taken to Jerome Park in a few days, together with Anthony Taylor's string, which are now at Monmouth Park.

BOOK BETTING ON JEROME PARK EVENTS.—The following is a list of the odds offered by Lovell & Co., Jersey City, N. J., on the Withers and Belmont stakes to be run at Jerome Park the first week in June:

Withers Stakes—One Mile.

Leonard	4 to 1	Bramer	15 to 1
Rifle	6 to 1	Broadway	15 to 1
Princeton	7 to 1	Carrie Atherton colt	15 to 1
Nannie Butler colt	8 to 1	Bombazine	15 to 1
Edina colt	10 to 1	Lottery	18 to 1
Lisbon	12 to 1	Morphine	20 o 1
Earl King	12 to 1	Pete Reed	20 to 1
Bagdad	12 to 1	Mattie C. colt	25 to 1
Bazil	12 to 1	Belle of Crawford	25 to 1
Top	12 to 1	Chance colt	30 to 1

Belmont Stakes—One Mile and a Half.

Leonard	5 to 1	Morphine	20 to 1
Rifle	7 to 1	Dick Sneecer	20 to 1
Kingsland	10 to 1	Stringtown	20 to 1
Anna Bush colt	10 to 1	General Jones	20 to 1
Magnum Bonum	12 to 1	Rancocus	25 to 1
Bazil	12 to 1	Lena D.	25 to 1
Bathgate	15 to 1	Mollie H.	30 to 1
Dan K.	15 to 1	Avail	35 to 1

FIRST DAY OF THE LOUISVILLE MEETING.—On May 22d excellent weather and an attendance of 10,000 persons greeted the management on their opening—the Derby day.

The first event was the Association purse, $250, dash one mile and a quarter, eight starters—Janet, Bob Wooley, Elemi, Belle Isle, Kilburn, Tillie Brent, Clemmie G. and Gerton. The second and third horses named sold highest in the pools. Janet won handily in 2:12½, Elemi second, Woolley third.

There were twelve starters for the Kentucky Derby, $50, pay or play, $500 added, $100 to the second horse, dash one mile and a half. This stake had forty-one nominations, and was valued at $3,500. McGrath's Leonard sold as the favorite. The horses that got off were, Leonard, McWhirter, Baden-Baden, Lisbon, Vera Cruz, King William, Malvern, Early Light, Odd Fellow, Headlight, Dank and Enlight. A good start was made, Leonard leading to the final three-quarters, when Baden-Baden came up, winning easily without the whip, Leonard second, King William third. Time, 2:38.

Five started in the third race, mile heats, purse $300, $50 to second. They were Emma C., Courier, King Faro, Grit and Mannie Gray. Courier was the favorite. Faro won the first heat, Monnie Gray second, and Courier third. Time, 1:43¾. Emma won the second heat, Courier second, Faro third. Time, 1:44¾. Emma C. won the last and the race in 1:43¾.

AMERICAN JOCKEY CLUB.—The American Jockey Club have decided to organize a subscription room, which is in preparation and will be opened in the club rooms, corner of Madison avenue and Twenty-seventh street, on Tuesday evening next. Members of the club, and all persons introduced by a member, can become subscribers. Strangers residing beyond 100 miles from the city will be admitted temporarily on the introduction of a subscriber. A desirable portion of the grand stand will be reserved for the use of the subscribers, who will also have an admission to an enclosure to be reserved for members of the club and holders of quarter stretch badges.

The Fordham Handicap.—The following horses have been declared out of the Fordham Handicap: Mettle, D'Artagnan, Bill Bass, Warwick, Warlock, Clematis, Egypt, Love Chase, Glenor, Heretog, Patriot, Ore Knob, Calvin, Redman and Ceylon.

The Jockey Club Handicap.—The following horses are declared out of the Jockey Club Handicap: D'Artagnan, Warlock, Clematis, Viator, Heretog, Ceylon, Chesapeake, Artistides and Calvin. The two last named horses are scratched from all their present engagements.

Grand National Steeplechase.—Calvert and Doubtful are declared out of the above race.

OPENING OF THE MARYLAND JOCKEY CLUB MEETING.—The Spring meeting of the Maryland Jockey Club commenced on May 22d, with a large attendance.

The first race, dash three-quarters of a mile, was won by Explosion, Fraud second, Kenny third, Mechanic fourth and Vauxhall filly last. Time, 1:19¼.

The Chesapeake stakes for fillies three years old, one and one quarter miles, were won by Idalia, Grecian Maid second, Oriole third, Oleaster fifty yards behind. Time, 3:19½.

The handicap stakes for four year olds, mile heats, was won by Outcast, beating Romney, Cyril, Ambush, Dauntless, Preston and Mary. Time, 1:46, 1:47, 1:51. Cyril and Preston were distanced in the first heat, which was won by Outcast. Romney took the second heat, and outcast the third and race. Only Romney and Outcast started for the last heat, which was very close and exciting.

The fifth race, trial steeplechase for all ages that never won a steeplechase race, welter weights, about one and a half miles, over a fraction of the regular steeple course, was won by Walter, Bill Munday second, Calvert one hundred yards away. No time taken.

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR.—A committee of the State Agricultural Society and State Stock Breeders' Association met at St. Paul on May 9th and decided to accept the proposition of Minneapolis and hold the exposition there the first week in September. Minneapolis is to provide grounds and buildings complete, calling for an estimated expenditure on her part of about $12,000. The committee also arranged a programme for trials of speed as follows: Tuesday, Sept. 4, trotting, three-minute class, $250 in four purses; Wednesday, trotting, 2:45 class, same purse and division; hurdle race, four hurdles, $200; $100 to first, $60 to second, and $40 to third. Thursday, trotting, green horses, $250, ladies' equestrian, $50 and silver medal to first, $50 to second and $5 to third; running race, two miles and repeat, $300. Friday, $500; trotting, free for all, and a running purse, $200; mile heats.

TROTTING AT PETALUMA, CAL.—The trotting race at Agricultural Park on May 5, between Nelly Patchen, Flora and Nancy, mile heats, three in five, was won by Nelly in three straight heats; time 2:36, 2:36½, 2:35. The attendance was exceedingly slim, and but little speculation took place, Nelly having been selected for the winner.

THE BLACK LIST.—We have received from Secretary Vail the black list of the persons and horses under penalty up to April 30, 1877. Though it is entitled the Blue Book we can't discover where the relief is offered, as it contains the names of over 1,600 individuals and 2,000 horses who are under ban.

Racing and Trotting.

Lexington Association—Spring Meeting.

THIRD DAY—MAY 15TH.

The threatening condition of the weather and a slight shower that fell at midday, and the meagre programme, reduced the attendance much below the two preceding days The track, notwithstanding the shower, was better than on Saturday or Monday. The mile heat race was first on the programme, for which five were entered, Elemi holding the first position in the choice of the public at about even against the field Elemi won the first heat with apparent ease, but she was doomed to defeat, Lizzie Whipps, a fielder, won the second and third heats in gallant style.

The four-year-old stake was reduced to a match between Joe Rodes, the winner of the handicap sweepstakes on yesterday, and Leamingtonian who finished second to him. Joe Rodes was favorite two to one over Leamingtonian, and he won the race as he liked.

FIRST RACE—*First Heat*—Very good start. Annie Lisle in the lead to the turn, where she was passed by Elemi, who was never headed the remainder of the heat, and won easy by two lengths, Lizzie Whipps second, a half length in front of Actress, third, Janet fourth, Annie Lisle fifth. Quarter, 0:25; half, 0:50¼; three-quarters, 1:19: mile, 1:47.

Second Heat—Elemi led off,c losely pressed by Janet, who passed her on the turn and held the lead to the lower turn, where she was first passed by Elemi and then Lizzie Whipps. Coming into the stretch Lizzie Whipps made play, and half way down took the lead and won the heat by two lengths, Elemi second, Janet third, Actress fourth, Annie Lisle distanced. Quarter, 0:25; half, 0:49¼; three-quarters, 1:18¼; mile, 1:45.

Third Heat.—Lizzie Whipps went off in the lead; a pretty race for three-quarters of a mile, Lizzie Whipps always having the best of it and the speed, and won the heat and race by two lengths, Elemi second. Quarter, 0:26; half, 0:52; three-quarters, 1:20½; heat, 1:47¾.

SUMMARY.

Kentucky Association, Lexington, Ky.—Third Day, Tuesday, May 15th.—First Race—Purse $350; $300 to the first and $50 to the second horse. Mile heats.

A. Buford's br f Lizzie Whipps, 3 years, by Enquirer, dam Grand Duchess; 87 lbs ..... James 2 1 1
T. J. Megibben's ch m Elemi, 5 years, by Asteroid, dam Edina; 112 lbs ..... Kelso 1 2 2
J. A. Grinstead's b f Janet, 4 years, Lightning, dam Kelpie, 105 lbs ..... Stradford 4 3 ro
R. Lisle's b f Actress, 3 years, by imp. Hartington, dam Laura Bruce; 87 lbs ..... Taylor 3 4 ro
T. Bradley's ch f Annie Lisle, 4 years, by War Dance, dam by Capt. Beard; 105 lbs ..... Phillips 5 dis

Time, 1:47, 1:45, 1:47¾.

Betting—Elemi $110, Janet $54, Actress $26, Field $34. Second Heat—5 to 1 on Elemi against the field. Third Heat—2 to 1 on Lizzie Whipps.

SECOND RACE.—Leamingtonian led off and opened a gap of five lengths, which he held well into the back stretch of the second mile, when Joe Rodes made play and rapidly overhauled Leamingtonian at every stride and passed him at the half-mile pole, came away and won in a canter by five lengths. First mile, 1:49½; two miles, 3:37; the race, 3:53¾.

SAME DAY—Second Race—A sweepstake for 4 year olds; $50 each, p p, $500 added; second horse to save his stake, two and an eighth miles; (9 subscribers). Value $950.

Lisle & Co.'s b g Joe Rodes, by Virgil, dam Item; 105 lbs ..... Gilroy 1
H. F. Visman's b c Leamingtonian, by imp. Leamington, dam Mollie; 108 lbs ..... Walker 2

Time, 3:53¾.

Betting—2 to 1 on Joe Rodes.

FOURTH DAY.—MAY 16.

Notwithstanding the fact that it showered during the night, the track was in fine condition. The attendance was very large, and the interest in the contests unabated. The flag of the association flew at half-mast, as a token of respect to the memory of Judge Speed S. Goodloe, one of its most honored members, who died in Florida last Monday.

THE FIRST RACE was a selling race, 1¼ miles; purse $300. Horse to sell for $1,500 to carry proper weight; to sell for $1,000, allowed 5 lbs.; to sell for $750, allowed 7 lbs.; to sell for $500, allowed 10 lbs. Winner to be sold at auction immediately after the race, and any excess over the price at which he was entered to be sold to be given to the second horse.

The starter had a terrible time getting the horses off, owing to the misconduct of Malmistic and Nichols' bay mare. Malmistic had to be galloped all around the track to get him in his proper place after once leaving it, and even then he kept up his kadidos. Nichols' mare backed in a fearful manner, and tried by all means in her power to unseat her rider; and between the pair a full half-hour was cut to waste before the flag fell. Dusty led to the judges' stand, with Fairplay at his flank and Little Sis a good third. Going around the turn Fairplay showed in front, and kept there, until well down the backstretch, when Dusty again went to the front. The half-mile was passed as follows: Dusty, Fairplay, Little Sis, Malmistic, Nichols' mare, Lula Johnson and General Custer far in the rear. No relative change in position took place until well into the homestretch, when Fairplay's rider called on his nag, who responded hotly and shot in advance. The rider of Dusty now plied whip and spur to his horse, but the gas was out of him and he could not answer the call. His jockey then rode suspiciously close to Fairplay in what looked like an attempt to force the latter over to the fence, and several people on the grand stand who noticed the manœuver, cried "Foul! foul!" All efforts to beat Fairplay proved unavailing, and he passed under the string an easy winner, with Dusty second, and, from the reporters' point of view, Little Sis third. The judges, however, decided that Malmistic was third, and from their decision there is no appeal. Time, 2:11½.

It is said that Dusty's time for the mile was 1:44¾. After the race the winner was put up at auction, but he was not sold.

THE SECOND RACE was for a purse of $350; $300 to first, and $50 to second horse. One and a half miles.

This was a walk over. There was but one entry—the king of the turf, Ten Broeck. The noble racer was led out, with his mane all tricked out with orange and red ribbon, the colors of his owner, the observed and cynosure of all eyes. He looked fit to run for a man's life. After being duly admired, his jockey, Walker, mounted him and galloped him leisurely over the mile and a half.

THE THIRD RACE was for a purse of $150; $125 to the first, and $25 to the second horse. Three-quarters of a mile, for which there were thirteen starters.

THE RACE.—Grenoble had been entered, but was withdrawn. In the pool Richards' entry sold for $35, Grinstead's for $23, Calvin's for $25, Bowen's entries $26, and the rest as a field for $45. After several false starts the horses had a good send off—Tillie Brent in the lead, with Enlight at her shoulder, and the rest in a ruck behind. They kept this position until well up the turn, when Mannie Gray drew out of the ruck and began to show the material that was in her. Coming down the stretch she galloped ahead with ease, with Tillie Brent second and Enlight third, the rest trailing behind. Mannie passed under the string full three lengths ahead of Tillie Brent, who was a length ahead of Enlight. Time, 1:16.

At the end of the turn Mohur was jostled so that he fell down and threw his rider, injuring one of his legs badly, though not seriously.

SUMMARY.

FOURTH DAY, May 16.—First Race, a Selling Race; 1¼ miles; $300 purse. Horse to sell for $1,500 to carry proper weight; to sell for $1,000 allowed 5 lbs.; to sell for $750 allowed 7 lbs.; to sell for $500 allowed 10 lbs. Winner to be sold at auction, and any excess over entered price to go to second horse.

J. T. Williams' b h Fair Play, 6 yrs, by Virgil; dam Crucifix ($500), 105 lbs ..... Kelso 1
J. B. Rhodes' b g Dusty, aged, by Asteroid, dam Miss Pattie ($500) 102 lbs ..... Gilroy 2
G. W. Stewart's ch g Malmistic, 4 yrs, by Planet, dam Lulleme ($750) 90 lbs ..... Wilson 3
Jackson & Cadwallader's b f Little Sis, 3 yrs, by Frogtown, dam imp. Yorkshire ($750) 80 lbs ..... Hightower 0
G. W. Hancock's b g Gen Custar, aged, by Lever, dam by Boston ($500) 102 lbs ..... Donohue 0
T. J. Nichols' b m Telona, 5 yrs, by imp Phaston, dam Alert ($1,000) 107 lbs ..... Palmer 0
J. E. Cromwell's ch f Lula Johnson, 3 yrs, by Uncle Vic, dam Lapwing ($500), 77 lbs ..... Perry 0

Time—2:11½.

Betting: Dusty $60, Fair Play $32, Nichols $14, Field $30.

SAME DAY—Second Race—Purse $350; $300 to first and $50 to second horse; 1¼ miles.

F. B. Harper's b h Ten Broeck, 5 yrs, by imp Phaeton, dam Fanny Holton—Walker ..... w o

SAME DAY—THIRD RACE.—Purse $150; $125 to first and $25 to second horse. Three quarters of a mile.

A. Buford's blk f Mannie Gray, 3 yrs, by Enquirer, dam's pedigree unknown, 87 lbs ..... W. Jones 1
G. W. Bowen & Co.'s b f Tillie Brent, 4 yrs, by imp. Phaeton, dam Nettie Viley; 105 lbs ..... Knox 2
Megibben & Ward's ch c Enlight, 3 yrs, by Enquirer, dam Headlight; 90 lbs ..... Gross 3
B. Steel's b c Edinburg, 3 yrs, by Longfellow, dam by Lexington; 90 lbs ..... Sheldon 0
A. K. Richards' b m Katie, 5 yrs, by imp. Phaeton, dam War Dance; 112 lbs ..... Rowley 0
A. K. Richards' ch f, 4 yrs, by War Dance, dam the dam of Redman by Solferino; 105 lbs ..... Kelso 0
J. D. Todd's Bettie Buckner, 4 yrs, by Enquirer, dam by Ringgold; 105 lbs ..... Wilson 0
G. W. Hancock's b c Allen Pinkerton, 3 yrs, by imp. Glen Athol, dam Susan Overton; 90 lbs ..... Buckner 0
B. F. Petit's b g, 3 yrs, by Rivoli, dam Themis by Austerlitz; 87 lbs ..... Taylor 0
F. Waters' gr f Victress, 3 yrs, by Victory, dam by Vandal; 87 lbs ..... Robertson 0
H. P. McGrath's b h Calvin, 5 yrs, by Tipperary, dam Lucy Fowler; 115 lbs ..... Swim 0
G. W. Bowen & Co.'s b f, 4 yrs, by War Dance, dam by Colossus, Jr.; 195 lbs ..... Wm. Lakeland 0
J. A. Grinstead's ch f Mohur, 3 yrs, by Gilroy, dam Sequin; 87 lbs ..... Douglas 0

Time—1:16.

FIFTH DAY—MAY 17TH.

The weather was sultry, the track in the best condition, the racing superb, and the attendance fully as large as on any previous day of the meeting.

THE FIRST RACE—Was a sweepstakes for three-year-olds; $50 each, p. p.; $400 added. Second horse to save his stakes; one and five-eights miles.

The start was very good, Bradamante jumping away in the lead before they reached the eighth pole, 13¼ seconds, Opponent second, Yelton third, King Faro fourth. At the three-quarter pole, Bradamante still leading, Yelton was second, 38¼ seconds. There was no change at the stand except Harry Peyton was third, 1:01¾. Going round the turn Bradamante increased her lead to four lengths and she had a similar lead at the eighth pole, the mile in 1:45. Reaching the half mile Harry Peyton had taken the second place, Opponent third, King Faro fourth, pretty close up, the mile and a half in 2:38. Coming up the hill King Faro took second place and made a desperate effort down the home stretch, but was never able to get on even terms with Bradamante, who won the race without being fully extended in any part by a length. King Faro second, Harry Peyton third, Hyæna fourth, Opponent fifth, Lizzie Whipps sixth, Yelton seventh, Headlight eighth. Time, 2:53¼. Bradamante carried 3½ lbs over weight.

Betting: Bradamante $100; Opponent $80, Buford $75, Headlight and Harry Peyton $40 each, Hyena and King Faro $28 each.

SECOND RACE.—After a number of false starts the lot were sent away to a miserable scattering start, so bad, that it really gave the race to the leader Pomeroy, who jumped away in front, Penistan second, Megibben third, Milan a bad fourth, and the remainder scattered at wide intervals, Himyar, the favorite, being the last off. They raced in this order to the half-mile pole, when some of the rear began to draw on the leaders, and, entering the stretch, Pomeroy still held a commanding lead, with Milan and Himyar second and third. They were, from the bad start, unable to reach Pomeroy, who won the race by two lengths, Milan second, a length and a half in front of Himyar, third, followed by Leveler, Penistan, Solicitor, Megibben, Nettie Hopkins, McHenry, Waterwitch and Momentum in the order named. Time, 1:04¾.

Betting: Himyar $100, Milan $100, Leveler $72, Waterwitch $51, the field $90.

THIRD RACE.—When the flag fell McWhirter jumped away in the lead, was never headed and won the race very easily by five lengths, Whisper second, beating Emma C a head. The first mile was run in 1:46¾, the race in 2:38½.

Betting: Whisper $83, Emma C and McWhirter $70 each.

SUMMARY.

LEXINGTON ASSOCIATION, May 17.—First Race. A sweepstake for three-year olds; $50 each, p p, $400 added; second horse to save his stakes; one and five-eights miles. (17 nominations). Value $1250.

Jas. A. Grinstead's ch f Bradamante, by War Dance, dam Brenna, by imp. the Knight of St. George 1
D. & James McIntyre's b c King Faro, by imp. Phaeton, dam by imp. the Knight of St. George 2
J. Henry Miller & Co.'s gr g Harry Peyton, by imp. Phaeton, dam Ella Jackson 3
F. B. Harper's b f Hyæna, by Longfellow, dam Johanna, by Wagner, Jr 0
A. Keene Richard's b f Opponent, by Melbourne, Jr., dam (the dam of Optimist) 0
A. Buford's blk f Lizzie Whipps, by Enquirer, dam Grand Duch S 0
A. Buford's b c Yelton, by Enquirer, dam Nannie McNairy 0
L. B. Field's b c Headlight, by Bayonet, dam Olivia 0

Time—2:53¼.

SAME DAY.—Second Race—The Colt and Filly stakes for two year-olds; $50 entrance, half forfeit; $350 added; second horse to save his stake. Five furlongs (21 nominations); value $1,075.

Geo. W. Bowen & Co.'s b c Pomeroy, by Planet, dam Vandalia 1
D. Swigert's b c Milan, dam Melbourne, Jr., dam Alumina 2
B. G. Thomas' b c Himyar, by Alarm, dam Hira 3
R. H. Owen's b c Leveler, by Lever, dam Sly Boots 0
R. Penistan's ch c, by War Dance, dam Sister of Charity 0
L. P. Tarlton Jr.'s b c Solicitor, by Enquirer, dam Sally 0
J. K. Megibben's ch f, by Asteroid, dam Jennie H 0
A. Buford's b f Nettie Hopkins, by Enquirer, dam by imp. Albion 0
A. Buford's ch c McHenry, by Enquirer, dam Ontario 0
John R. McKee's ch f Waterwitch, by Asteroid, dam imp. Weatherwitch 0
A. K. Richard's b c Momentum, by War Dance, dam imp. Fleeting Moments 0

Time—1:04¾.

THIRD RACE.- Purse $350; $300 to the first, and $50 to the second horse. One and a half miles.

A. Buford's ch c McWhirter, 3 yrs, by Enquirer, dam Ontario 1
J. W. Hunt Reynold's b h Whisper, aged, by Planet, dam Mattie Gross 2
Jos. H. Ewalt's ch m Emma C., 5 yrs, by Planet, dam Cordelia 3

Time—2:38½.

SIXTH DAY—MAY 18.

The Lexington Association closed to-day the most successful meeting ever held. The day was a scorcher, regular July weather, and the track was "as fast as lightning." The attendance was very large, the numbers being far greater than on any other day during the meeting. This being the last day of the Spring meeting was the cause, no doubt, of the great congregation at the course. Three races were run, the first being the Consolation Purse, mile heats, for beaten horses; the second a dash of a mile and a quarter, and the third a dash of two miles and an eighth. All of them were run in gallant style, and gave great satisfaction to the spectators.

THE FIRST RACE—And seven starters. These were T. J. Megibben's bay mare Elemi, George W. Bowen & Co.'s bay filly Tillie Brent, F. Water's gray filly Victress, Jackson & Co.'s bay filly Little Sis, P. F. Pettit's bay gelding, J. A. Grinstead's brown mare Katie and T. J. Nichols' bay mare Tolono. Lillie Brent sold favorite.

First Heat.—When the drum sounded the start Elemi was in the lead, Tolono second, Tillie Brent third, the others being well bunched together. Elemi showed the way past the quarter pole, but before she reached the half-mile pole Tillie Brent headed her. Coming down the home run Elemi made play and won the race handily by a length. Tillie Brent second, two lengths in front of Katie, Little Sis fourth, Victress fifth, Pettit's gelding sixth. Tolono, seventh. Time, 1:43½.

Second Heat.—Elemi then became the favorite against the field. Little Sis and Tolono were off together in a lead to a very bad start for the others. Pettit's gelding was third, the remainder scattered. Tolono and Little Sis took commanding leads for three-quarters of a mile, when they shot their respective bolts and retired. Elemi then came to the front on the homestretch, and won the race in a canter. Tillie Brent was second, Victress third, Little Sis fourth, Pettit's gelding fifth, Katie sixth, Tolono seventh. Time, 1:44¾.

THE SECOND RACE—had five starters, comprising Lisle & Co.'s bay gelding Dusty, Williams & Co.'s brown filly Felicia, S. J. Salyer's bay colt Charley Gorham, G. Gill's brown colt Allan Pinkerton and B. F. Harper's chestnut filly Necy Hale. Dusty, Felicia and Charley Gorham were the favorites, all selling in the pools for the same prices. The horses had a good start and went off at a tremendous pace, Allan Pinkerton soon taking the lead, Felicia and Charley Gorham lapped. The trio ran in this order for the first mile, when Charley Gorham made play, came away from the others, and after a hard race he won by a length, Felicia second, Allan Pinkerton third, Dusty fourth, Necy Hale fifth. The first mile was run in 1:42¼, and the race in 2:08¼, which is the fastest mile and a quarter on record. Grinstead, at Saratoga, July 24, 1875, ran the distance in 2:08¾, which was the best time previous to that made to day.

THE THIRD RACE had three starters. These were B. F. Harper's bay horse Ten Broeck, J. A. Grinstead's bay filly Katrine and A. Buford's chestnut filly Chestnut Oaks. The betting lay between Katrine and Chestnut Oaks, the former having the call at three to one. Ten Broeck went off with the lead, but gave it up to Katrine on the turn. Ten Broeck went to the front on the backstretch, and then galloping away from the others, won in a canter by five lengths. Katrine was second, Chestnut Oaks third. Time, 3:53.

SUMMARY.

KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION—SPRING MEETING—SIXTH DAY, May 18th.—FIRST RACE.—Consolation purse, $300; mile heats; for beaten horses; $250 to first and $50 to second horse. Horses beaten once allowed 7 lbs; twice, 12 lbs; three times, 16 lbs.

T. J. Megibben's ch m Elemi, by Asteroid, dam Edina, 5 yrs 1 1
Geo. W. Bowen & Co.'s b f Tillie Brent, by imp. Phaeton, dam Nettie Viley, 4 yrs 1 2
F. Waters' g f Victress, by Victory, dam by Vandal, 3 yrs 5 3
G. Cadwallader's b f Little Sis, by Frogtown, dam by Yorkshire, 3 yrs 4 4
B. F. Pettit's b g, by Rivoli, dam Themis, 3 yrs 6 5
J. A. Grinstead's br m Katie, by imp. Phaeton, dam by War Dance, 5 yrs 3 6
T. J. Nichols' b m Tolono, by imp. Phaeton, dam Alert, 5 yrs 7 7

Time—1:43½, 1:44¾.

SAME DAY.—SECOND RACE—Purse $250; $200 to first and $50 to second horse; distance, one mile and a quarter.

S. J. Sayler's b c Charley Gorham, by Blarneystone, dam Aurora Raby, 3 yrs 1
Williams & Co.'s br f Felicia, by imp. Phaeton, dam Farfaletta, 3 yrs. 2
G. Gill's br c Allan Pinkerton, by Glen Athol, dam Susan Overton, 3 yrs 3
Lisle & Co.'s b g Dusty, by Asteroid, dam Miss Pattie, aged 0
B. F. Harper's ch f Necy Hale, by Lexington, dam Miriam, 4 yrs 0

Time—2:08½.

SAME DAY.—THIRD RACE—Purse $600; $500 to first, $100 to second horse; distance, two miles and an eighth.

B. F. Harper's b h Ten Broeck, by imp. Phaeton, dam Fanny Bolton, 5 yrs 1
J. A. Grinstead's b f Katrine, by Lightning, dam Cicily Jobson, 4 yrs 2
A. Buford's ch f Chestnut Oaks, by War Dance, dam Alice Wagner, 4 yrs 3

Time—3:53.

Suffolk Park, Philadelphia, Spring Trotting Meeting.

SUMMARY.

SUFFOLK PARK, PHILADELPHIA, May 14.—First day of the Spring Trotting Meeting. First race, purse $200 for 3:30 class. First horse, $100; second, $60; third, $40; mile heats 3 in 5 in harness.

J. Mathers' b m Mollie 1 1 1
M. Goodin's bl g J. J. Rowland 2 2 4
W. H. Doble's g g James Wood 4 3 2
A. B. DeHart's b m Annie Bennett 3 4 3
J. Kay's b g Bay Harry ..... 5 dis
S. A. Tanner's b m Sans Souci ..... 6 dis
N. P. Duffy's b g Homer ..... dis
P. Somers' g g Robin Hood ..... dis

Time—2:40¼. 2:42, 2:41.

SAME DAY.—Purse $350, for the 2:28 class; first horse $175; second, $100; third, $75; mile heats, 3 in 5 in harness.

M. Goodin's b m Lady Killdeer, by Black Dutchman. .5 5 1 1 3 1
J. E. Turner, br m Dora, by Cariboo 4 2 4 2 1 2
J. H. Phillips' b g Baron Luff, by Happy Medium 1 3 6 3 2 3
W. H. Doble's bl g Scotland, by imp. Bonnie Scotland. .2 1 3 6 4 4
R. P. Stetson's s g Delaware ..... 3 4 2 4 5 ro
J. H. Gilbert's b s King Philip, by Jay Gould ..... 6 6 5 5 6 ro
J. A. Tanner's s g Star, by Conklin's Star ..... dr

Time—2:27, 2:29, 2:29½, 2:29, 2:32, 2:31¾.

SAME DAY.—Purse, $150, free for all pacers. First horse, $75; second $50; third, $25; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.

S. A. Tanner's g g Comet 1
J. E. Turner's b m Stella 3
D. Killion's b g Innocent Sam 2 3
C. Sampson's b g Blind Tom 4 4
J. Cunningham's g g Sore Toes ..... dis.
B. Ashman's br g John ..... dis.
Climax and Richard ..... dr.

Time—2:31, 2:33¾, 2:34.

SUFFOLK PARK, PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—First race, purse $300, for three minute class; $100 to first, $60 to second, $40 to third; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness:

J. Mather's b m Mollie 1 2 1 1
G. W. Fitzwater's c m Wave 2 1 2 2
N. P. Grate's blk m Liddy 3 3 3 4
R. Steel's b m Princess Medium 4 4 4 3
Rosewood, Homer and Dot ..... dr

Time—2:43, 2:42, 2:41¾, 2:42¼.

SAME DAY.—Purse $400, for 2:25 class; $200 to first, $125 to second, $75 to third; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.

A. B. DeHart's s m Little Mary, by Billy Mustapha 1 1 1
M. Goodin's Gray Chief, by Napoleon 2 2 4
J. E. Turner's c s Hannis, by Mambrino Pilot 3 3 2
W. H. Doble's blk g Gen. Howard 5 4 3
W. Lovell's b g Barney Kelley 4 5 5

Time—2:25½, 2:27, 2:28.

SUFFOLK PARK, PHILADELPHIA, May 16.—First race, purse $250 for 2:40 class; $125 to first, $75 to second, $50 to third; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.

J. McKee's b m Nellie Rutherford 1 1 1
G. W. Fitzwater's b m Fancy 3 2 2
C. S. Johnston's b g Jersey Boy 2 3 4
J. E. Turner's b m Odd Stockings 5 4 3
R. Steel's b g Blaze Medium 4 5 5
C. P. Doble's blk g Little Fellow, formerly Sleepy David ..... 6 6 dr
W. H. Doble's br s Smiling Tom ..... dis

Time—2:35, 2:37, 2:37¾.

SAME DAY.—Purse $300, for 2:32 class; $150 to first, $90 to second, $60 to third; mile heats, 4 in 5, in harness.

J. E. Turner's b s Nil Desperandum 3 2 1 1 1
J. H. Phillips' blk m Lady Emma 1 1 2 2 3
D. Killion's b m Lady Blessington 4 4 3 2 2
M Murphy's blk m Maggie M 2 3 4 4 4
W. H. Doble's s g Sorrel Top ..... 5 dr
W. H. Doble's c m Mollie, and D. Logan's br m Queen May ..... dr

Time—2:33, 2:32, 2:32, 2:29, 2:31.

SUFFOLK PARK, PHILADELPHIA, May 17.—First race—Purse $200 for the 2:50 class. First horse $100, second $60, third $40; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.

P. Mathers' b m Mollie 1 1 1
P. McIntyre's b g Chief 2 2 2
J. H. Phillips' b m Sans Souci 3 3 3
M. Goodin's bl g J. J. Rowland ..... 4 dis.
James Wood, Ultra, Annie Bennett, Homer and Robin Hood ... dr.

Time—2:38¾, 2:33½, 2:42¼.

SUFFOLK PARK, May 17 and 18, 1877.—Purse $250, for the 2:35 class. First horse, $125; second, $75; third, $50; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.

C. T. Yoder, s g Hunter 2 2 1 2 1 1
D. Killion, b m Lady Blessington 1 1 3 6 2 3
J. M. Pettit, ch g Phil Dougherty 6 4 2 1 5 2
G. H. Way, br m Little Nell ..... 3 3 5 4 3 ro
J. H. Phillips, bl m Lady Emma ..... 4 6 8 7 4 ro
M. Goodin, g g Allen ..... 8 5 4 3 dr
W. H. Doble, J., g m Morning ..... 5 7 6 5 dr
J. P. Gilbert, b m Jennie ..... 7 8 7 dr
W. H. Doble, b g Jacob Lerian ..... dr

Time—2:31, 2:30, *0:00, 2:31, 2:31½, 2:32¼.

[Four heats trotted on the 17th.]

*The two leading horses having been set back for running, the judges, in conformity with rule 40, rescinded their action of the first day, in giving Hunter a record of 2:29¼.

Purse $700 free-for-all. First horse $350, second $200, third $150; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.

J. H. Phillips, b m Adelaide, by Phil Sheridan 4 3 3 3 1 1 1
A. B. DeHart, br m Hannah D., by Magna Charta 1 2 2 1 0 2 2
W. H. Doble, br m Lady Maude, by Gen. Knox 3 1 4 2 4 3 3
J. E. Turner, b m Nettie, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian ..... 2 4 1 4 2 dr

Time—2:23¼, 2:23½, 2:25½, 2:23, 2:21½, 2:36½, 2:29¼.

[Two heats trotted on the 17th.]

TROTTING AT DEXTER PARK.—The fear of a record previous to the opening of the trotting campaign deterred the owners and trotters from patronizing the advertised trot of last Saturday, which would have awarded a purse of $100 to the horse trotting nearest to three minutes. A purse was then offered by secretary Boyle, of $250 for 2:40 class of horses, and to be contested for on Monday, May 21st. This drew out three entries, viz.; Peter Johnson's chestnut gelding George B, Ed. Brown's black gelding Ethan, and William Hodges' bay mare Minnie Taylor. The winner turned up in George B., and proved by the ease with which he won that there is more speed left in him. He was sired by Fiske's Mambrino Chief, and will be a good horse in his class this season. He is owned by Mr James Lewis, of Battle Creek, Mich.

SUMMARY.

DEXTER PARK, May 21, 1877.—Purse of $250, for horses of the 2:40 class; three in five, in harness.

Peter V. Johnson's ch g George B 1 1 1
Edward Brown's blk g Ethan 2 2 3
William Hodges' b m Minnie Taylor 3 3 2

Time—2:42, 2:45¼, 2:48¾.

Trotting at West Side Park, N. J.

SUMMARY.

WEST SIDE PARK, JERSEY CITY, May 16.—Purse $100, for horses that have never beaten 3; $60 to first, $25 to second, and $15 to third horse.

C. Davidson's b g Charlie Hill	1	1	1
P. Manee's br g Lamgamon	3	2	3
I. G. Halstead's ch m Lady Tompkins	4	3	2
J. Atwater's ch m Lady Kannon	2	4	5
R. Ogle's s g Pullaway	5	5	4
J. Ward's blk g Admiral	6	6	6
T. J. Mann's b g Poor Pat	dis		
H. O'Neill's ch m Henrietta	dr		
L. Hand's b m Nina Daniels	dr		
T. Gaynor's b g J. G. Schober	dr		

Time—2:48¾, 2:49, 2:51.

In the third and last heat the driver of the chestnut mare Lady Kannon was changed on the ground of fraud in pulling the mare, and another driver was put in his place. This, however, did not better the case, as the mare was fifth at the finish.

SAME DAY.—Purse $150, for horses that have never beaten 2:35; $75 to first, $50 to second, and $25 to the third horse.

G. Walker's blk g Whisper	1	1	1
Wm. Gallagher's b g Tommy Moore	4	2	2
M. McNamara's b m Gipsy Maid	2	3	4
J. Sharp's r g St. George	5	4	3
J. E Jarvis' ch g Billy Edwards	3	5	6
R. Ogle's b g Frank	6	6	5
J. Pawling's b g Doubtful	dr		

Time—2:39, 2:40, 2:39.

The chestnut mare Doxie was suspended from the Brooklyn Driving Park last year on account of non-payment of entrance fee, and was not allowed to start in the above race, this track being governed by the rules of the National Association.

WEST SIDE PARK, JERSEY CITY, May 17.—Purse $100, for horses that have never beaten 2:50; $60 to first, $25 to second, $15 to third horse.

J. Ward's b g Ward, Jr.	1	2	1	1
G. Thompson's s g Frank	4	1	3	2
J. C. Brown's b g Poor Pat	2	4	2	4
J. G. Halsted's ch m Lady Tompkins	3	3	4	3

Time—2:51½, 2:58½, 2:58¼, 2:56.

SAME DAY.—Match $200, for pacers; mile heats, in harness.

W. Richards' b g Johnny Smoker	2	1 1
J. Ward's g g Billy Taylor	1	2 2

Time—2:46¼, 2:53¾, 2:57.

WEST SIDE PARK, JERSEY CITY, May 17 and 18.—Trotting match, $250; mile heats, best three in five.

Peter Manee's ch g Moscow (to wagon)	1	1	2	0	0	1
W. J. Gregory's b m Vermont Maid (in harness)	2	2	1	0	0	2

Time—2:44½, 2:43, 2:55, 2:48, 2:48, 2:46.

Four heats trotted on the 17th.

SAME DAY.—Second Race. Purse $160, for horses that have never beaten 2:45; $75 to the first, $50 to the second, and $25 to the third horse; mile heats, best three in five, in harness.

C. Davidson's b g Charlie Hill	1	1	0	2	1
Wm. McMahon's b m Grace	3	2	0	1	2
Wm. Thom's g s Tom Bird	2	3	3	3	3
C. Brown's b m Weedan Kate	4	4	4	4	dr
P. Manee's blk g Charlie M.	dis				
G. Ward's ch m Mary W	dis				
C. Manee's b g Lamganon	dis				

Time—2:38, 2:48, 2:47, 2:50¼, 2:53.

SAME DAY.—Third Race. Purse $50; under saddle; best three in five.

C. Davidson's b g Frank	1	1	1
G. Ward's b g Ward, Jr.	2	2	dr

Time—2:53½, 3:18, 4:42.

The causes of the time being so slow in the second and third heats was the rider of the bay gelding Ward, Jr., losing his stirrup, and the horse cut his fore-quarter very badly and was pulled up after passing the half-mile pole. Frank came on very slowly and won the second heat in 3:18. The third heat Ward, Jr., could not start, as he was very lame, and was drawn. Frank jogged around the track and won the heat and race at his pleasure in 4:42.

Trotting at Beacon Park, Boston.

BEACON PARK, May 15.—Purse $200; 2:27 class.

J. Trout's ch m Lady Foxie, by Daniel Lambert	3	1	1	1
J. A. William's gr m Laura Williams, by Halibird's Ethan Allen	1	4	2	2
C. E. Mosher's b g Joe Ripley	2	5	3	3
P. Prevere's ch m Flora Belle	4	2	4	4
G. L. Norcross's blk g Jas. G. Blaine	5	3	dis	

Time—2:24½, 2:30, 2:25¼, 2:27½.

SAME DAY.—Purse $200; 2:50 class.

J. E. Stewart's b s Chester	0	2	1	1	1
C. E. Mosher's ch g Walter	4	1	4	3	2
C. S. Clark's rn g Frank A	1	8	9	6	8
R. G. Edson's ch g Jimmy	2	4	2	5	4
F. White's b m Mattie	0	10	11	2	3
A. Woodward's b m Wild Lily	5	6	3	4	5
S. Hays's ch m Olive	6	5	8	7	6
H. Woodruff's ch g Woodstock	0	7	10	10	7
John Ramsey's gr g Daniel	9	11	5	8dis	
J. Trout's blk m Bashaw Maid	8	9	12	9dis	
P. Prevere's br m Miller's Damsel	7	13	6	11	dr
H. G. Smith's b g Aaron	3	3	7	dr	
J. Hazeltine's b m Actress	0	12	dis		
M. Lark's bg Gen. Hampton	0	dr			
J. A. Dustin's br g Fred	0	dr			

Time—2:38, 2:39, 2:38¼, 2:37¼, 2:35¼.

BEACON PARK, May 16.—Purse, $200; 2:31 class.

S. D. Houghton's blk s Emperor	1	1	1
D. Bigley's gr m Lady Daggett	2	2	3
H. Woodruff's rn m Delightful	4	4	2
D. Bigley, Jr.'s b g Sam Curtis	3	7	4
L. Morris' ch g Boston Pilot	5	3	5
J. B. Jewel's b m Lady Nell	7	6	6
G. W. Dickey's b s Buchanan	6	5dis	

Time—2:20½, 2:31½, 2:31½.

SAME DAY.—Purse, $200; 2:34 class.

A. Woodward's gr s Highland Gray	1	1	1
C. C. Fife's rn g Iron Age	3	2	4
H. Woodruff's b g Dennis	2	6	3
H. H. Smith's ch g Falcon	5	5	2
E. L. Norcross' b s Bay Fearnaught	4	3	5
W. Martin's b m Christine	6	4	6

Time—2:32¼, 2:31½, 2:34¼.

BEACON PARK, May 17.—Purse, $200; 2;29 class.

Owner's ch s Cassius Prince	1	6	1	1
Owner's ch m Mira Belle	2	1	2	2
Owner's g. g George A Ayer	3	2	3	6
Owner's b g Ben Starr	6	4	5	4
Owner's blk g Joe S.	5	5	4	5
Owner's ch g John Virgin	dis			

Time—2:29¼, 2:31¾, 2:29½, 2:34.

SECOND RACE.—Purse, $200; 2:38 class; mile heats; best three in five, in harness.

Owner's ch s Fearnaught, Jr.	1	1	1
Owner's gr g Honest Farmer	2	2	2
Owner's br g Harry	4	4	3
Owner's ch m Belle of Worcester	3	6	6
Owner's r g Frank A	9	3	8
Owner's b g Lyman	5	7	5
Owner's b m Amanda	7	8	7
Owner's br m Clara Bell	6	dis	
Owner's g s Valley Chief	10	dis	

Time—2:30½, 2:26, 2:30.

Trotting at Mendota, Ill.

MENDOTA, ILL., May 19.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—The first race of the season took place this afternoon at the grounds of the Mendota Driving Park, for a purse of $25; half-mile heats; 3 in 5 to role; free for all. The following is a correct summary:

Frank Smith's b g Mendota	2	1	1	1
A. McBride's b g McBride	1	2	2	2
E. Wormly's br g Idle Boy	4	4	3	3
C. F. Taylor's s m Goshen Maid	3	3	dr	

Time—1:20, 1:19½, 1:20, 1:20¼.

Mr. C. F. Taylor's old sorrel, aged 24, was at one time a noted animal, having made a record of :27. She still retains much of her old fire. The association are working hard to make the coming Fourth of July races successful beyond all former meetings. DOC.

The California Turf.

Goldsmith Maid and Rarus on the last day, May 19th, of the Chico (Cal.) meeting trotted for a purse of $2,000, and an extra thousand if the best time in the state was beaten. The track was excellent and the day favorable. In the first heat at the start Rarus had the lead nearly a length. The maid closed the gap on the first quarter, and took and maintained the lead, winning the heat by half a neck in 2:19½. In the second heat Rarus was a length behind at the start, which relative position they maintained until turning into the homestretch, when the Maid skipped, but caught her feet almost instantly. Rarus closed nearly neck and neck meantime, but the Maid crossed the score half a neck ahead in 2:14¼. The third heat was won by the Maid in 2:17.

SUMMARY.

CHICO, CAL., AGRICULTURAL PARK, May 19, 1877.—Trotting for a purse of $2,000.

Budd Doble's b m Goldsmith Maid	1	1	1
John Splan's b g Rarus	2	2	2

Time—2:19¼, 2:14½, 2:17.

Trotting at Chico, California.

SUMMARY.

CHICO STOCK ASSOCIATION—Spring Meeting—First Day—May 14, 1877. Trotting race—2:30 class—Purse $500. First horse $250; second horse, $175; third horse, $175; fourth horse, $50.

Macey & Co. name Brushy John, by Rappahannock, by old Ethan Allen, dam by Langford	1	1	1
S. L. Dannels names b g Dutchman	2	2	2
A. F. Small names E. H. Miller, by Paddy McGee, dam unknown.	3	3	3

Time—2:33, 2:32¾, 2:29.

English Racing.

LONDON, May 4, 1877.

This was the fourth and last day of the First Spring Meeting at Newmarket, and the race for the Thousand Guineas was run and won by Lord Hartington's bay filly Belphœbe (the sister of Stray Shot), by Toxophilite, dam Vaga, who started with 20 to 1 against her. Lady Ronald, with 25 to 1 against her, secured second place and money, while Lady Golightly, with 3 to 1 against her, only managed to secure third place and her stakes. The Thousand Guineas, like Oakes, is exclusively for fillies, and bears the same relation to the latter race that the Two Thousand Guineas does to the Derby—a sort of preliminary trial of a mile over an easy course, to ascertain, if possible, the chances of the candidates of staying over the trying mile and a half at Epsom. The Thousand Guineas Stake has been in existence over sixty years, being inaugurated in 1814. The winner, Belpœbe, made her first appearance in the First Spring Two-year-old Stakes at the First Spring Meeting, at Newmarket, last year, and won, the distance being five furlongs and the stakes £600. With 120 lbs on her back she beat a field of nine, the one next to her at the finish being Cannon Ball, Dunkenny third. She did not run again during the Spring or Summer months, but at the Newmarket Second October Meeting she ran for and won the Bretby Stakes, after a dead heat with Dynamite. The day following she ran in the Juvenile Handicap, and was fourth at the finish, Briglia, Beauharnais and Arbitrator being in front of her in the order named. Belphœbe's next appearance was on the third day of the Newmarket Houghton Meeting, when she started in the Criterion Nursery Stakes and finished fifth She had one more race and that closed her two-year-old campaign. This was for the Troy Stakes of £700, and she was again fifth. Belphœbe has not appeared before yesterday this year, and her making a win at the first effort, and over such good ones as Lady Ronald and Lady Golightly, makes her chances fair for more victories.

The following is a

SUMMARY.

The Thousand Guineas Stakes, a subscription of 100 sovs each, half forfeit, for three-year old fillies, 122 lbs each: the owner of the second filly to receive 200 sovs out of the stakes, and the third to save her stake. R. M. (84 subs).

Lord Hartington's b f Belphœbe (sister to Stray Shot), by Toxophilite, dam Vaga. 1
Mr. T. Ansley's b f Lady Roland, by Lord Lyon, dam Edith. 2
Lord Falmouth's b f Lady Golightly, by King Tom, dam Lady Coventry. 3

THE GREAT CHESHIRE STAKES WON BY PLUTON.

LONDON, May 11, 1877.

This was the fourth day of the Chester meeting. The race for the Great Cheshire Stakes brought out a field of nine horses, and was won by Captain Stirling's Pluton, with Hemlock second and Warrior third.

The betting on the course before the race was 3 to 1 against Pluton, 20 to 1 against Hemlock and 7 to 1 against Warrior.

SUMMARY.

The great Cheshire Stakes, a handicap of 15 sovs. each, 10 sovs. forfeit, with 500 sovs. added by the Grand Stand proprietors, for three-year-olds and upward; entrance, 3 sovs., the only liability if forfeit be declared by noon on May 1; the second to receive 50 sovs. from the stakes, and the winner to pay 50 sovs. towards expenses; winners of a handicap after the publication of the weights to carry 4 lbs; of two, or one, value 150 sovs., 5 lbs. of any race value 200 sovs., 9 lbs; of any race value 500 sovs., 12 lbs. extra; Grosvenor course, nearly one mile and a quarter (59 subs).

Captain Sterling's b c Pluton, 4 years, by Plutus, out of Promise (bred in France), 98 lbs. 1
Mr. Jardine's br c Hemlock, 3 yrs, by Pretender, out of Belladonna, 77 lbs. 2
Mr. Gomm's b c Warrior, 3 years, by General Peel, out of Neroli, 90 lbs. 3

Turf Notes.

Trotting Meetings.

DATES CLAIMED FOR 1877.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	May 22 to 24	Dexter Park, Chicago	July 17, 18, 19, 20
LeRoy, N. Y.	May 29 to 31	Cleveland, O.	July 24 to 27
Freeport, Ill.	May 29 to June 1	Sycamore, Ill.	July 24 to 28
Fleetwood Park, N.Y.	May 29—June 1	Buffalo, N. Y.	July 31 to Aug. 3
Ambler Park, Pa.	May 29 to June 1	Freeport, Ill.	July 31 to Aug. 3
Belmont Park, Phila.	June 4 to 7	Rochester, N. Y.	2d week in Aug.
Medina, N. Y.	June 5 to 7	Prophetstown, Ill.	2d week in Aug.
Utica, N. Y.	June 5 to 7	Tiskilwa, Ill.	2d week in Aug.
Muskegon, Mich.	June 5 to 7	Mendota	3d week in August
Dubuque, Iowa	June 5 to 8	Utica, N. Y.	3d week in Aug.
Mystic Park, Boston	June 5 to 8	Earlville, Ill.	4th week in Aug.
Dayton, Ohio	June 7 to 9	Poughkeepsie, N. Y	Aug. 21 to 24
Syracuse, N. Y	June 12 to 14	Springfield, Mass.	Aug. 21 to 24
Peru, Ind	June 12 to 16	Macomb, Ill.	Aug. 28 to 29
Beacon Park, Boston	June 12 to 15	Hartford, Conn.	Aug. 28 to 31
Cedar Rapids	June 12 to 15	Cambridge, Ill.	Aug. 27 to Sept. 2
Jackson, Mich.	June 26 to 29	Oskaloosa, Ia.	Aug. 28 to 31
Kalamazoo, Mich.	June 12 to 15	Dubuque, Ia.	Sept. 10 to 15
Elmira, N. Y	June 19 to 21	Davenport, Ia.	Sept. 3 to 8
Madison, Ind	June 19 to 21	Fleetwood Park, N. Y	Sept. 4 to 6
Dover, N. H.	June 19 to 22	Mystic Park, Boston,	Sept. 4 to 7
Grand Rapids, Mich.	June 19 to 22	Narragansett Park, R. I.	Sept. 11-14
St Petersburg, Pa.	June 26 to 29	Beacon Park, Boston	Sept. 11 to 14
Cincinnati, O.	June 30 to July 4	Dayton, O.	Sept. 24 to 28
Oskaloosa, Ia.	July 2 to 4	Virginia, Ill.	Oct. 16, 17 and 18
Stuart, Iowa	July 2 to 5	Ambler Park, Pa.	Sept. 25 to 28
Macomb, Ill.	July 3 to 5	Fleetwood Park, N. Y. (Breeders' Meeting)	3d week in Oct.
Londonville, O.	July 3 to 4	St. Louis	Oct. 1 to 6
Detroit, Mich.	July 3 to 6	Londonville, O.	Oct. 2 to 5
East Saginaw, Mich	July 17 to 20		

Racing Meetings.

Lexington, Ky	May 12 to 19	Columbus	June 11 to 14
Baltimore, Md	May 22 to 25	Cleveland	June 18 to 21
Louisville, Ky	May 22 to 28	Jerome Park, N. Y.	June 2-16—Oct
Cincinnati	June 2 to 7		

A YANKEE DEVICE.—A rumor current in Springfield, Mass., states that one of the offers to lease Hampden Park will be made in the interest of the Poughkeepsie Trotting Association, whose fall meeting is appointed for the same week as the meeting of the Hampden Park Association. The former could afford to pay $2500 to stop the meeting in that city and thereby secure the entries which would otherwise go there; but it is hardly possible that the direction of the Agricultural Society will permit the park to be closed for the benefit of a trotting association in another State.

EXTENSIVE SALE OF TROTTING STOCK.—Col. Robt. P. Pepper, South Elkhorn Stock Farm, near Frankfort, Ky., announces his first annual sale to take place on May 30. The catalogue names forty-one head of trotters, ten brood mares by Mambrino Chief, Alexander's Abdallah, Kentucky Clay, Blackwood, Clark Chief, Toronto, Swigert's Lexington, Dixie and Concord, twenty young mares and fillies, and eleven young horses, by such noted stallions as Almont, Harold, Sentinel, Ericsson, Alcalde, Blue Grass, Hero of Thorndale, Belmont, Balsora, Administrator, Antar and Bay Chief.

A THIRTY-MILE RACE.—M. M. Joyce and M. V. Smith rode a thirty-mile race at the Bay District half-mile track on May 11, for gate money, each to use six mustangs and to change every mile. They started at 3 P. M., and finished in one hour and eighteen minutes, Joyce winning by about half a mile, but the race was given to Smith, on account of Joyce's riding nine horses, one of which was a thoroughbred, while the rules called for six mustangs

THE CROCKER TEAM.—In our last issue we made mention of a recent performance of the Crocker team over the Bay District Course, San Francisco, Cal., in which they trotted a mile in 2:28. This team is made up of the gelding Gen. Cobb and the mare Ellen McCord, and by a telegram under date of May 21st, they are reported to have trotted a mile in 2:26, without a skip, beating their former trial by a second and a half. It was the opinion of the best judges present that the team could have got in in 2:25 had Hickok forced the pace.

SALE OF TROTTERS.—Mr. F. E. Russell, Boston, has purchased of the widow of Mr. Gilbreth the black stallion Tartar, record 2:34¼; brown stallion Pay Day, no record, but has shown in 2:33; bay colt Thoroughbred, no record, but has shown in private in 2:31; and bay gelding Johnny, who has shown in 2:44½. The above were sired by Gilbreth Knox out of good mares, and Mr. Russell has sent them to Mr. Conklin at Beacon Park for training.

THE MONMOUTH PARK MEETING.—This meeting at Long Branch, N. J. will begin on June 30th. The entries to the several stakes in number are large and of a high quality, and the peresent out-look forbodes a first-class meeting. The following entries have been made: Fifty-three for the Jersey Derby, thirty-six for Monmouth, thirty-three for West End Oakes, thirty-three for Ocean Hotel and twenty-nine for the Robbins Stakes.

THE POUGHKEEPSIE MEETING.—The Hudson River Park, at Poughkeepsie, will commence the second annual spring meeting on the 22d inst., continuing on the 23d and 24th There will be two trotting contests each day, beginning with horses that never trotted for money and closing with a race by horses that have never beaten 2:20. Horses of the calibre of 2:31, 2:45, 2:27 and 2:34 are the intermediate classes that will contend.

GREAT EASTERN.—During the winter the mammoth trotter Great Eastern was driven on the road at Rome, N. Y., by Mr. Geo. Hammill, his owner. Great Eastern is at present doing a little track work. He is 7 years old, 17½ hands high, and weighed 1215 pounds last week. He trotted at Utica last year in 2:20¼, and after at Rochester in 2:19. He has been entered at Fleetwood for the free-for-all purse.

WILL RUN.—True Blue writing from Halifax, N. S., says: General Grant, the horse that took first prize at the Provincial exhibition, held in Truro, N. S., was in this city a few days ago. It is expected that he will take part in the Kentville race this season.

SALE OF ALMONT ARAB.—General W. T. Withers, Fairlawn Stock Farm, sold on the 15th inst. to Burb Wilcox, Hutchinson, Kan., the bay three year old colt Almont Arab, by Almont, dam by imp Arabian Mokhladi; gr. dam by Whip Comet.

HENNEPIN, ILL., May 21.—The next annual fair of the Buel Institute Putnam County Agricultural Board will be held at this place September 4th, 5th and 6th. Some liberal premiums are offered for trotters.

BREAKDOWN OF OLITIPA.—Hon. A. Belmont's elegant race mare Olitipa, five years old, by imp. Leamington, dam Oliata, by Lexington, has broken down and been consigned to the stud.

COL. MANSUR.—We are glad to announce that Col. Mansur, who was seriously injured last week by the collision of his carriage with another, is fast recovering.

SPOTTED COLT FOR SALE.—The trotting horse Spotted Colt, thirteen years old, with a record of 2:25¼, owned in Providence, is in the market.

VIGIL.—The report of the breakdown of this fine rare horse is untrue

English Turf Notes.

GOOD RUN.—Goster won three races in succession at Newmarket lately, with the Two Thousand in the middle.

KNOCKED ON THE HEAD.—Barlow, the jockey, sustained concussion of the brain from his recent fall at the Sandown races. He is doing well.

THE DRUMMER.—This excellent little race horse who won the Great Metropolitan at Epsom in 1869, is getting some rare cross country performers.

WHY?—To those who fancied Chaplet for the City and Suburban, it may be consoling to their judgment to know that she broke a small blood vessel in her head whilst running.

DEAD.—Underhand, who was a good weight carrying race horse in his day, died lately at the stud. He got nothing of note save Fervacques, who won the Grand Prix de Paris in 1867.

A GLUTTON.—Baron A. de Rothschild's colt Strachino, backed heavily for the late "Two Thou," is said to prefer a jockey or plump stable boy to any other food just prior to a race.

WILL NOT HAVE IT.—The tipsters and turf prophets who neglected in some cases even to name as a starter Bellephœbe for the One Thousand Guineas, all with more or less accord declare she it but a chance winner, and stick to Lady Golightly for the Oaks.

NOT TOO QUICK.—Those who fancy Fontainbleu for the English Derby must remember he has the French Derby race to run on the Sunday before, and a sea voyage between that and Wednesday. If he can do this, and beat Chamant, Rob Roy and Brown Prince, he is a wonder.

DISSATISFIED.—Mr. Moses Taylor, the well known Irish turfite, has determined to retire from the turf, because of a supposed misplacement of his horse Turco as second instead of first in a late race. His horses, including the steeplechaser Gamebird, are already in the sale list.

MIDDLE PARK YEARLINGS.—The Yearlings from Middle Park will be sent to the hammer on the Saturday of the Derby week (June 2d). There will be seven colts and six fillies by Rosicrucian; the six by Parmesan; eight by Victorious; eight by Saunterer; four by Brown Bread; three Toxophilites, six D'Estournels, one Blair Athol, one Blinkhoolie, one King of the Forest, one disputed between Vespasian and D'Estournel. They are described as a very good lot.

DOES NOT LIKE IT.—A correspondent in our English exchange, the *Sporting Gazette*, writing against the absurdity of putting up sixty-three pound boys on race horses, undoubtedly expresses the feelings of a large class of race goers. Besides extinguishing the prospects of the heavy weight *horsemen*, like Cannon, Chaloner, Goater John Osborne, and Custance, it gives greater scope for rascals and ropers to pull their horses and win double events such as the Cambridgeshire and Cesarewitch, City and Suburban and Great Metropolitan, etc.

MEETING OF THE JOCKEY CLUB.—The annual meeting of the English turf senate was held at New Market, on April 18th. Admiral Rous was, on retiring from his stewardship in the jockey club, by seniority, unanimously re-elected. It was then proposed by Admiral Rous, and seconded by Lord Hardwicke, Rule 10 (V) was unanimously altered to make *penalties not cumulative*, unless specified in the conditions. The alteration to take effect at once, and regulate such stakes as are already closed. The Admiral's effort to further control defaulters was withdrawn after a discussion. Mr. Alexander's motion to make the lowest weight in a handicap 63 lbs. instead of 77 lbs., as heretofore, was carried by 11 to 10 on the division. But Lord Hardwicke, seconded by Sir J. Astley, gave notice of a motion to restore the original weight. A lively fight, both on paper and at the meeting will result.

Athletics.

CALIFORNIAN ATHLETES.—San Francisco, May 5th.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—On April 21st, the Olympic Athletic Club, of San Francisco, Cal., held their regular meeting. The assemblage was good and the sport fair. The final heat of the 100 yards dash was won by A. Prinz, who got off badly, but came in the end. The half-mile handicap was won from scratch in 2:13 1-5, by W. Davidson, after a good race with C. R. Browne. M. F. La Grange did 5 ft. 1¼ inches in the high jump. In the standing wide jump, A. Prinz cleared 8 ft. 9½ inches. J. P. Rice is credited with winning the 200 yards race (11 yards off) from A. Prinz, at scratch, in 21 1-5 secs., but as Rice was beaten in the 100 yards in 11 seconds, the time must be wrong. A. S. Thompson won the 440 yards in 55 2 5 secs. W. M. Kerr put the 16 lb. shot 32 ft. 9 in. and won easily. W. Davidson again proved victorious, winning the mile handicap from scratch easily in 5 min. 4 secs. The long jump was a good performance, and 19 ft. 8 inches, jumped by P. J. Cadogan, is, we believe, the best on record in this country, for an amateur; C. R. Browne and J. P. Rice covered 19 ft. and over. The pole leap was won at 8 ft. 8 inches by A. S. Thompson, who also won the hurdle race of 120 yards (10 flights) in 21 2-5 secs., the poorest performance of the day. GOLDEN GATE.

Athletic Notes.

A RICH PROMISE.—The Union Athletic Club of Boston has received assurances from Harvard, Dartmouth and Tufts colleges, the New York Athletic Club and other organizations of entries for their spring games May 26.

MILWAUKEE AWAKENING.—The Athletic Association of Milwaukee mean to have a lively meeting shortly, having leased the grounds occupied by it last year.

COLLAR AND ELBOW.—A match, best three in five, came off on May 16 at Kalamazoo, Mich., between C. G. Mixer, of Hastings, and M. C. Crandall of Cross Keys; Mixer won second, third and fifth falls.

Fish.

Why Fresh Water Fish Cannot Live in Salt Water.

It is well known that fresh water fish cannot live in salt water, and *vice versa;* and it has been supposed that the reason existed in some poisonous effect which the inappropriate water exerted. M. Paul Bert has recently been investigating this subject, and his conclusion is that the death of the creature is not due to any toxic action, but is simply a phenomenon of osmosis or transmission of fluids through the membranes. In order to prove this, it is only necessary to weigh the animal before and after the experiment. A frog, for example, plunged in sea water loses one third its weight. If only the foot of the frog be introduced, the blood globules can be seen to leave the vessels and distribute themselves under the skin. If an animal be taken, the skin of which is not entirely osmotic, the same phenomena occur in the bronchial system.

There are certain fish, however, which exist sometimes in salt, sometimes in fresh, water, changing their habitat in different periods of life or of the year. It therefore, in view of the above, becomes interesting to see how M. Bert applies his discovery to such apparent exceptions to the general rule. A fresh water salmon, for instance, plunged abruptly in sea water, resists the effects longer than other fresh water fishes; but he dies within five or six hours. This shows, according to M. Bert, that the fish never proceed suddenly from fresh to salt water, but enter brackish water where the tide ebbs and flows, and live there a sufficient time to habituate themselves to the change. This accounts for the frequent discovery of large numbers of such migratory fish in the vicinity of the mouths of the rivers which they ascend.

A fresh water eel, plunged in salt water, does not seem to be affected. But in investigating the peculiarities of this species, M. Bert was led into a wrong conclusion, which may be cited to show how easy it is, often by pure accident, to reach an erroneous determination in laboratory experimenting. After having himself placed several fresh water eels in salt water, he found, as already stated, that they remained alive and unharmed. Wishing to continue the experiments, he directed his assistant to introduce the fish, and report results. To his surprise, the eels then persistently died after a three or four hours' sojourn in salt water, and long search failed to discover the reason why it was that, when M. Bert placed them in the tanks they lived, while, when the assistant did so, they perished. Finally, M. Bert found that his assistant, doubtless on account of the slipperiness of the eels, lifted them with a piece of cloth in his hand. The cloth rubbed off a little of the natural slime of the animal, which protected it from the salt water. Osmosis then occurred in the denuded portion, and the eel eventually died.

The converse experiment, of inserting sea fish in fresh water, produced analogous results. The gills were the seat of alterations, the same as those noted in fresh water fish placed in salt water. M. Bert also observed that the life of the sea fish could be prolonged by adding salt to the fresh water, thus adding further confirmation to his theory.—*Scientific American.*

KANSAS FISH LAWS.—The Kansas Legislature of 1877 have enacted a law establishing "a commissioner of fisheries" for the state. The protection of fish is the object of the law. Section 4 provides that "it shall be unlawful for any person or company to obstruct any of the streams in the State of Kansas by building a dam, or otherwise, without constructing a fish-way." Section 5 requires that any person owning a dam on any stream in the state shall, within a year from the passage of the act, construct a fish-way that will permit all kinds of fish to pass up the stream. Section 6 declares it to be unlawful for any person to fish in any manner within eighty rods of any fish-way, or from any private fish reserve used for the propagation of fish, without the consent of the owner. Section 7 makes it unlawful for any one to catch with a seine or net any fish in the waters of the state during April, May and June in each year. A sum not less than $100 is the penalty for violating sections 4 and 5 of this act, and for violating sections 6 and 7 the penalty is not less than $5. The act was approved March 5th, and became a law March 11th, 1876. We have not the means at hand of ascertaining the date of its passage. Judgment is reserved—against the dams.

AN EXCHANGELING.—Ex-Treasurer Spinner is the most successful fisherman in Florida. The secret of his success is said to lie in the fact that he uses his autograph for bait, and the fish imagine it is a new kind of worm.

BRIEF.—Our correspondent, Col. Crampton, from Hennepin, Ill., says: "Fishing is good." He hadn't time to say more, the bites come so lively.

HAS PASSED.—Dr. Pratt's fish bill has passed one house of the Illinois legislature. Mr. Fairbank's bill is killed.

NEAR HALIFAX, N. S.—There is excellent trouting on Five Lakes at present, several large catches have been made some weighing from five to five and one-half pounds, and one person going out at five or six o'clock in the morning has caught something like eight dozen.

ROCKY RANGE RAMBLES.—Few people there are who do not cherish delightful anticipations of some day gliding across the great plains of the far west to seek new lease upon life in the pure, bracing, exhilerating atmosphere of the majestic mountain ranges of Colorado. To all who have dreamed of days amid the matchless scenes, the towering peaks and deep-mouthed gorges of the "Alps of America," the Rocky Mountain Tourist will come as an awakening to realization. It is a superb publication in every particular, the letter press the perfection of typographical excellence, the arrangement a model for book printers, while such distinguished artists as Moran, Bisbing, Laugridge, French and Worrall furnished the drawings for the illustrations which so profusely adorn the pages. The views in the Moncos and McElmo Canons are subjects entirely new and of rare fascination, while the single engraving of the Royal Gorge of the Arkansas is ten by fifteen inches in dimensions. The Tourist, aside from its rich typography and highly artistic engravings, is a work of rare interest, written, as it is, in an easy and graphic vein throughout, Mr. J. G. Pangborn, the author, being an old newspaper man, and the treatment of the Tourist is more of the journalistic order than of the stereotyped book writer. When it is stated that the publisher, Major T. J. Anderson, ex-Mayor of Topeka, Kansas, sends a specimen copy of the Rocky Mountain Tourist absolutely free to all requesting, by letter or postal card, such favor, his exceeding liberality cannot but meet with such undisguised appreciation on the part of the public at large as to require the services or quite a circle of equally generous friends to assist him in opening and responding to his mail. That all will receive who but ask there is, however, no question.

Trap Shooting.

Sandusky Letter.

SANDUSKY O., May 5, 1877.

Editor Chicago Field:—As it has been some time since you have received a letter from me, and being in the city at the present, I will endeavor to give your readers a few notes from this point. Some time since Mr. S. M. White Jr., hardware merchant of this city wrote Capt. A. H. Bogardus, and arranged a tournament for this place. The terms of the arrangement were that Capt. Bogardus was to shoot 200 glass balls in the air in twenty minutes; he to load his own gun; for which he was to receive $100; receiving nothing if he failed.

The day was very pleasant, and a large crowd gathered at the fair grounds, at which place the shooting was to take place. At one o'clock the traps were placed in position, and the Captain made a few trial shots, but finding that the wind blew the smoke off the gun back in his face, had the trap set back some distance. At 1:30 P. M., the Captain commenced on his match for $100. At the expiration of the twenty minutes time was called, Captain Bogardus had fired 253 shots, but had broken but 194, thereby losing his contract. The Captain shot single balls, from both traps, the second trap being sprung as soon as the first shot was fired. One great inconvenience the Captain had was that he shot in such quick succession that the barrels of both guns became so hot that it was almost impossible to hold them. During the shooting he made two scores of eleven straight balls. The Captain promised Mr. White and the party that he should return shortly and give them another exhibition and see if he cannot take the $100.

After the Captain had got through, the amateurs on the ground shot for several prizes that had been offered by Mr. White. The prizes contested for were: First, silver cup, $20; second, ten cans of powder, $12; third, sole leather gun case $5; fourth, cartridge bag, $2.50.

The shooting in the amateur match was to be ten single balls, eighteen yards rise. There was some thirty entries in this match, and some average shooting done, of which I send you the score:

Loomis	10001 00010—3	Bloom	10010 11111—7
I. Clemmons	01111 11000—6	Boyer	01100 11000—4
Barber	01010 01011—5	Covell	00000 10000—1
Chandler	10110 00111—6	Alexander	00001 00000—1
Vetter	00011 10111—6	Schmidt	11110 11011—8
Eunis	00100 10100—3	Hunter	00000 10011—3
Valentine	00000 00010—1	Goodson	10011 00010—4
Fisk	11011 00010—5	Websdale	00011 01110—5
Amanda	00000 00000—0	B. Clemmons	01001 11010—5
Dewitt	00000 10000—1	Worthington	11011 00001—5
Hamilton	00111 00100—4	Fite	01010 10010—4
Woodford	00011 11000—4	Schultz	00010 00101—3
E. Hamilton	00000 00000—0	Brown	01000 00001—2
Weed	01001 11000—4	Cleveland	00010 10100—3

The first prize, the silver cup, was awarded to Mr. Schmidt, of Bellevue, who shot eight out of the ten balls; the second, Mr. Bloom, of Tiffin, took home on seven out of ten, and the third and fourth by Mr. B. and I. Clemmons. This is the first occasion the amateurs of this part of the country have had to try their luck at shooting glass balls, and they are all satisfied now that glass balls are not so easily hit as a pigeon.

A sweepstake purse of $250 was announced to come off, but owing to the lateness, it was decided to postpone it.

I would also mention here that, although Captain Bogardus failed to make his contract good, Mr. White treated him with all respect, and liberally paid him for all his time and trouble. The Captain left on the evening train for Boston, carrying with him the best wishes of the shooters of this section.

There are several shooting matches to take place here within a short space of time. There is to be one at Bellevue for the cup that Mr. Schmidt took away, and also one at Kelley's Island, in which glass balls are to be used. I shall endeavor hereafter to keep the readers of the CHICAGO FIELD posted in matters pertaining to your columns.

Yours, G. W. P.

WEST MERIDEN, CONN., May 7, 1877.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—A trap shoot came off to-day on Cook's Green. The following is the the score:

Soper	10011 01101 01—7	Downing	11101 00110 00—6
Taylor	01111 01011 11—9	Miner	00010 00100 00—2
Davis	00000 00001 01—2	Strong	10001 00101 00—4
Richardson	00110 00001 01—4		

The following is the score of the second string of 12 shots each.

Wilson	00111 01100 10—6	Taylor	00011 10110 10—6
Wilcox	00000 10011 00—3	Cornell	00010 00111 00—4
Richardson	01010 10110 00—5		

The above scores were made shooting at glass balls, at 18 yards rise. Four shots were drivers, the other eight quartering right and left, 12 shots for each man constituting the string; 3¾ drachms of powder and from 1 to 1¼ ounces of shot were used. This being the first shoot at this kind of trap that these gentlemen have had, it rather bothered some to get on them quick enough. They can show some perfect scores at Gyro shooting, but glass balls (thrown like a "streak" from a trap) is a horse of another color. Every one will agree, I think, with me the first time he tries it.

CAPT. NEMO.

TRAP AT GOVANSTOWN.—Baltimore, Md., May 16, 1877.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—Please find enclosed score of shoots held yesterday at Govanstown, at smooth glass balls, from a Bogardus trap; distance 18 yards; for $100 a side; 50 balls a piece.

H. Giddings...01110 11111 10100 10010 11111 10110 10110 11001 10001—28
D. Michaels...11101 10100 00111 11111 11100 11111 11111 10110 10111—34

While the above match was being shot off, a match was gotten up for $25 a side, at 20 pigeons, between one of our crack shots, Hy Engle, and an amateur, though a good one, Mr. Dan Swann. Distance 30 yards, 80 yards boundary, resulting as follows:

Engle...10110 01001 10111 0 — 9
Swann...11111 11111 11111 11111—20

Mr. Swann is waiting to see the "Captain."

A match for $75 a side resulted as follows: distance 21 yards, 80 yards boundary; miss and go out. Dr. Madden, killing 14 straight along, and Mr. Fred Kell, his opponent, missing his 14th pigeon.

Yours Truly, S. J. M., JR.

TECUMSEH, Mich., May 10, 1877.—Sweepstakes. Entrance, $2. Five single rises. A little sweepstakes shoot between Adrian and Tecumseh. $2 entrance; miss out, the best score to take all. D. S. K.

First sweepstakes.

J. Reynolds	0—0	D. S. Kimball	0—0
J. Clark	10—1	C. A. Wright	11111—5

Second sweepstakes.

Reynolds	110—2	Kimball	11111—5
Clark	110—2	Wright	11111—5

Ties at 26 yards.

Kimball	11—2	Wright	10—1

Third sweepstakes.

Reynolds	1110—3	Kimball	11111—5
Clark	10—1	Wright	11111—5

Ties at 26 yards.

Kimball	10—2	Wright	11—2

WASHINGTON, D C., May 11, 1877.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—The success of our glass ball trap has been such that we have been tempted into arranging a tournament in Baltimore to be held on the 30th of this month. The Baltimore shooters have entered into a shoot with the right kind of spirit, and the entries promise to fill in every case. The shooting will be sweepstakes and the shooters handicapped. Most persons who have never witnessed a trial shoot at glass balls get the idea that they could break one every time, but wonder, when they come to the scratch, what is the matter with their guns? Some of our very best shots make the poorest kind of scores, and yet their endeavors are as earnest as if a prize was to be the result of the shoot. Next week a gold coin, usually called "cart wheel," is to be put up as a prize, and I have no doubt the scores will be amusing, as a lot of amatuers will enter the contest.

JACK SNIPE.

KALAMAZOO, MICH., May 10, 1877.—Enclosed find score of a pigeon shoot which took place here yesterday. Thirteen single birds at the usual rise and boundary, tame birds, but a better lot never got out of a trap, most of the birds that got away being struck very hard. Mr. Seward Hawkins was chosen referee. The following is the score:

D. McDonald	00101 11110 111—9	J. A. Sweet	01100 01111 110—8
E. J. Roos	11101 11111 111—12	J. Marchant	11111 11111 110—12
B. O. Bush	11010 11111 100—9		

Yours truly, BLUE ROCK.

DAVENPORT, Iowa, May 12, 1877.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—Yesterday's practice shooting at Jacobsen's resulted as follows:

H. Berg	01000 10011—4	J. C. Smith	11110 11001—7
R. Krause	10010 11111—7	J. A. LeClaire	01111 01010—6
G. Schlegel	01010 01010—4		

Week after next will have a full club practice and a good score is expected. J.

PROVIDED FOR.—Chicago, May 23, 1877.—*Editor Chicago Field*—Will you please announce that I have the pigeons in coop at Dexter Park for the Creston, Iowa, tournament so that failure is impossible.

Yours Respectfully, E. T. MARTIN.

Rifle.

At Creedmoor.

On May 19th a large concourse of marksmen gathered at headquarters to take part in various contests. The first was that for the Remington prize of $300 gold; any breach-loader within the rules to load at the breach with specially provided ammunition; twenty rounds at each distance of 900 and 1000 yards; no coaching or extraneous help. There were ten entries and the shooting was poor. Mr. Waters won $6.67 with 68 and 75 and Mr. E. H. Sandford $3.33 with 72 and 70, the remainder of the scores were from bad to worse.

THE SPIRIT OF THE TIMES MEDAL.—The contest for the *Spirit of the Times* gold medal was open to all comers who are members of the National Rifle Association. Weapon, any rifle within the rules; distance, 300 yards; position, from the shoulder, standing. Ten rounds, with the privilege of two sighting shots. Entrance fee fifty cents. To be won three times before becoming the winner's property.

THE SCORE.

E. H. Sanford	5 3 3 3 2 4 4 4 5 4—37
W. Farrow	3 3 4 3 4 3 5 4 3 4—36
W. Robertson	5 4 3 4 2 4 3 4 4 3—36
J. L. Price	5 5 3 4 2 4 3 4 4 3—36
H. W. Gourley	4 3 4 4 5 3 2 4 2 5—36
A. Anderson	5 3 3 3 4 4 2 3 3 5—35
C. F. Robbins	4 3 3 4 3 2 3 5 3 4—34
E W. Price	4 2 5 3 3 4 4 3 2 4—34
M. M. Maltby	4 4 4 4 2 4 3 3 3 2—33
N. D. Ward	3 5 3 4 3 3 2 2 4 4—33
W. H. Murphy	2 3 4 4 4 4 2 5 2 3—33
J. E. Irwin	4 4 4 4 3 4 2 0 4 3—32
J. H. Teacle	4 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 0—32
F. F. Millen	3 4 2 4 3 3 3 3 4 2—31
T. A. Curman	3 4 3 3 0 3 3 4 4 4—31
J. Le Boutellier	5 2 0 4 3 4 3 2 3 4—30
J. C. Carey	4 4 4 2 4 3 0 2 4 3—30
J. Holland	2 3 4 0 4 4 2 4 4 3—30
J. A. Gee	3 3 3 2 2 4 3 0 3 4—27
F. H. Holton	2 0 2 3 3 4 2 4 3 4—27
E. Duffy	3 3 4 3 0 5 3 3 0 3—27
D. F. Davis	3 0 3 3 3 4 3 2 2 3—26
H. Fisher	4 4 4 0 0 2 4 3 2 3—26
J. W. Todd	0 0 2 3 4 0 4 4 4 3—24
F. A. Dugro	0 2 4 2 3 0 4 3 3 2—23
J. B. Holland	0 3 3 4 0 3 0 2 2 4—21
W. G. Dominick	3 3 0 2 0 2 4 3 0 2—19
F. Harper	0 3 4 4 0 0 2 2 0 3—18
J. L. Kellinger	0 0 0 2 2 2 3 3 4 0—16
T. W. Linton	2 0 3 0 2 3 0 2 0 2—14
W. C. Clark	3 4 0 2 2 0 0 0 0 0—11
E. W. Candee	2 0 3 2 0 0 (Retired)

The Irish American Club match was open to members of the club only. It was the first competition which this association has had during the present season. The conditions were: Distances, 200 and 500 yards; position, standing at the former and any, without artificial rest, at the latter range. Seven scoring and two sighting shots at each distance. The following are the scores:

F. F. Millen	26 31—57	Col. Burton	21 21—42
Capt. Brennan	26 23—49	Major Duffy	27 15—42
Lieutenant Murphy	26 20—46		

THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.—This association inaugurated its new 1,000 yards range target at Walnut Hill, Woburn, by competition at 800, 900 and 1,000 yards for places upon the team for the match with the Walpole Amateur Club, which occurs at Walpole on the 30th inst. The members having had no long range experience, and a "fish tail wind" blowing down the range, the scores were not very high, but the enthusiasm was unlimited. Twelve entered, but four retired before the completion of the match. Each man was allowed ten shots at 800 yards, five at 900 and 1,000 yards, the possible aggregate being 115. The following was the score:

	800 *yards.*	900 *yds.*	1000 *yds.*	*Totals.*
C. C. Hibbard	44	17	34	95
W. H. Jackson	40	16	29	85
J. A. Lowell	36	21	28	85
A. P. Clark	44	18	22	84
William Gerrish	36	18	26	80
D. Kirkwood	34	20	25	79
J. Wemyss Jr	36	21	17	74
W. Poland	38	17	12	67

New 1,000, 500 and 200 yard targets will be set as soon as the work can be done, and then this range will not have a peer except in Creedmoor, over which latter it, however, has many advantages, as the firing points are about 300 yards apart, and the targets being backed with natural hills of fine sand. The team that will compete with the Walpole team will be made up of five men, who will be selected from the eight men who practiced yesterday.—*Boston Sunday Herald*

[The reporter of our contemporary has got mixed somewhere about number of shots and totals.—ED.]

RIFLE AT MILWAUKEE.—Friday afternoon, May 11th, a fair number of the members of the Milwaukee Rifle Club met at the range for practice. The weather was fine, with a light, steady 3 o'clock wind on the target, only one thing unfavorable, that was a thick smoky haze, which made the target quite indistinct and hard to see. Practice commenced at the 900 yards range, where it will be seen Mr. David Hill, a new member, made a splendid score; Mr. Johnston was very unlucky, in fact it seemed to be his off-day; ditto Yale. Following is the score:

Hill	5 5 3 5 3 4 5 5 5 5—45
Welles	3 5 5 4 3 3 2 5 5 5—40
Turner	3 3 5 5 5 4 5 4 3 3—40
Drake	5 3 4 5 3 3 3 3 5 5—39
Meunier	3 3 3 5 2 4 5 4 4 4—39
Fielding	2 4 3 4 2 4 4 4 5 4—36
Bangs	4 5 0 4 5 5 4 0 0 5—32
Yale	4 4 2 3 3 2 2 3 2 2—27
Johnston	5 2 3 4 0 0 0 4 3 5—26

After completing the above score the riflemen moved to the 1,000 yards range and made five shots a piece, with the following result:

Johnston	4 4 4 4 2—18	Hill	3 3 3 3 4—16
Turner	3 3 2 5 5—18	Fielding	3 5 2 5 0—15
Bangs	2 3 4 4 5—18	Yale	0 4 5 0 3—12
Meunier	3 3 3 5 4—18	Drake	5 0 0 2 3—10

Quite a number of visitors were present during the practice, amongst them Mr. John Nazro, president of the club. BLUE JAY.

RIFLE AT WILLOW BROOK.—The first regular meeting of the Connecticut Rifle Association was held at the Willowbrook range, Berlin junction, on Saturday, May 12th. There was a good attendance from different portions of the State; G. W. Yale, of the American team, was among those present. The wind was variable from southerly, yet satisfactory scores were made in many instances. Three matches were arranged, the conditions being as follows: First match, ten shots, long range competition; 800, 900 and 1,000 yards; highest aggregate score to win. Prize—"Champion Long Range Badge, 1877." Best scores as follows, 10 shots each, distance of 800, 900 and 1,000 yards: J. L. Woodbridge, 39, 39, 40—118; Orange Judd, 48, 33, 37—118; N. Washburn, 111; F. Wessels, 107. Captain Woodbridge was declared the winner, he having made the highest score at the longest range.

The "Champion 500 yard, 1877," came next; ten shots, 50. Best scores were as follows: Johnson, 42; Woodbridge, 42; Kingman, 30; Yale, 47; Woodward, 47; Judd, 46; Layne, 37; Coffin, 44; Hungerford, 23; Studley, 39; Hubbard, 36; Washburn, 46; Dunham, 37. Yale was declared winner of the 500 yards badge.

The "All-comers 500 yard match" closed the day's contests. Conditions: ten shots; rifles, any weight, trigger pull, 40 calibre or under; 50. Best scores: C. S. Davidson, 44; Hubbard, 36; Studley, 36; W. B. Davidson, 34; C. S. Davidson the winner. These badges must be won three times, not consecutively, to become property of winner. The association has added several new members this Spring, and has improved the range, and new conveniences for showing the direction and force of the wind have been provided.

RIFLE AT MILWAUKEE.—On Friday, May 18th, the Milwaukee Rifle Club met at their range for practice. It does seem as though the elements have conspired this Spring to make it a point to not allow the club to have a single Friday perfect for practice. The day was warm and wind light, but a miserable fog prevailed all the afternoon, making the target at 1,000 yards almost invisible; it could be seen, but indistinctly so. The members present went to work and did the best they could under the circumstances, making a pretty fair score at 1,000 yards, as follows:

Hill	3 4 5 3 3 5 4 5 4 5 5 2 2 3 4—57
Meunier	0 3 5 5 4 3 4 5 5 5 4 4 4 4 0—55
Bangs	2 5 0 3 3 5 4 3 4 5 3 5 2 5 5—54
Fielding	0 4 0 4 4 4 5 5 3 4 4 5 5 4 0—51
Turner	4 3 3 3 3 5 3 3 4 4 5 4 3 0 3—50
Johnston	3 3 3 5 0 3 5 4 3 5 3 5 0 0 0—42

BLUE JAY.

TO TRY CONCLUSIONS.—The Canadian Wimbledon team sails for England on Saturday, June 23d. The matches commence July 9th.

Kennel.

Bench Show Standards.

BY ARNOLD BURGES.

If bench shows are to be of any practical benefit to us as sportsmen and breeders of *working* dogs, a change in the standards which have hitherto prevailed is imperatively necessary. The bench is designed to bring out the highest perfection of physical structure and establish types which will serve as models for breeders to follow. It is said that a bench show cannot in any way take into consideration the field qualities of the various animals exhibited, and this is reasonable, but it is also reasonable that the standard of physical perfection should be that structure which is best adapted for field performance, rather than a delicacy and beauty of outline, which, while pleasing to an artistic eye, is evidently unsuited to stand work. If we desire to produce a race admirably adapted for display before an admiring concourse of men and women, who know nothing of a dog beyond what they see of him in his stall, we can go on as we have started; but if our ambition leads us to the development of animals that will attract a thorough sportsman by their workmanlike qualities, their strength and capacity for doing and enduring, for everything, in fact, which elevates a dog above a mere toy, we have got to cut loose from old standards and establish radically different ones.

All breeders know that the smaller and more delicately any race is bred, the more perfect is the symmetry obtained. There exists no more perfect dog than the toy terrier, or the Italian gray-hound; but what are they worth, practically speaking? They are merely originally valuable breeds brought for the purpose of show to the very acme of beauty, and there they become worthless. The same principle holds good with our field dogs. If undersized frames, delicate bones, no matter how well muscled, and temperaments of extreme nervous and sensitive order are to carry the day, then farewell to any benefit shows will be to those who care to hunt for anything but prize mugs. Such animals certainly possess the most perfect proportions, and if judged by a judge who follows the standard, they must win. They thus acquire a reputation that makes them valuable in the stud, and their services or progeny are eagerly sought for, and thus bench perfection, but field imperfection, is scattered all over the country, to the detriment of the very interests to support and provide for which shows were established.

So little have foreign shows done to aid in the production of practical dogs, that anyone who will investigate the reports of both shows and trials will find *as a rule* the most successful exhibitors seldom or ever win any reputation in the field. Breeding for the bench and breeding for the field do not and cannot go hand in hand, because the standard for the comparatively valueless exhibitons is not a practical one. It is not to be wondered at that bench shows command greater patronage than trials, since any good breeder can turn out winners at the first, while to win in the latter requires not merely good breeding but thorough sportsmanship, and men who combine both qualifications are few and far between. We have had a dozen large shows in this country, and but three trials, the largest number of entries at which has not exceeded a single score. Certainly shows have done much to create an interest in dogs and sporting, and if we will only cut loose from preconceived ideas and go at the matter practically, such exhibitions can yet be made all they are intended to be. To do this, competent judges must be selected and discretionary powers given to them. They must be men who know how a dog should be built *for work*, and then they must be allowed to select from the classes placed before them, those specimens which come nearest to the working standard, to the exclusion of those pretty darlings better suited for a lady's boudoir than the field. A perfect field dog has no lumber. Yet he has bone, muscle and size, all of which are necessary for exertion, requiring strength and ability to endure hard work for successive days. No undersized dog can do the work of one well and properly proportioned, any more than a great lumbering brute can carry his heavy frame side by side with a medium sized animal, when work is to be done. And for this reason the standard at shows should be based upon practical principles rather than mere beauty of lines, which are of more value upon canvas than in an exhibition having for its object the improvement of a race by the establishment of the truest and best type.

Kennel Club Field Trials.

Our correspondent, Caractacus, being unable to attend at Horseheath, we give our readers the benefit of the trials as reported by an English exchange:

"The glorious uncertainty of field trial contests was never more thoroughly exemplified than during the first day of the above mentioned meeting, for the very puppies which had so distinguished themselves at Shrewsbury seemed at Horseheath to have made up their minds for a wholesale larking; joined to this, there was no scent, and no wind worth mentioning, so that the state of things during the Field Trial Derby will be readily imagined; and the system of running in heats being adhered to completed the massacre of the innocents. Of course the judges, Messrs. S. E. Shirley and H. R. Bevan, were not to blame for this. It is the system which is to be found fault with; and I have no hesitation whatever in saying that throughout the trials some dogs were put out in the first round that appeared to be incomparably superior to some of the winners. By the heat plan the two best dogs may be drawn together, and one of these will necessarily be put out in the first heat. The judges ought not to be bound to turn out a dog which evidently does better work than others that come after him or before him, simply because he chanced to meet in the first round one who was his superior.

The Shrewsbury judges bound themselves by no such rules. They ran the dogs in heats, because heats are fashionable, and quickest to decide upon, but whenever two animals run together showed fair merit, they gave no decision there and then (*i. e.*, did not turn out one of the competitors), but called them on again, later on, to compete individually with other dogs. At Horseheath, however, Messrs. Shirley and Bevan were bound by rules, and the unsatisfactory decisions which they were forced to arrive at was no fault of theirs.

The trials on Wednesday and Thursday took place over the estate of Mr. George Brewis, who thus for the third time has kindly allowed his birds to be operated upon. The cover was not so good in some fields as it might have been, but the birds were fairly numerous, and fur was not so plentiful as to cause a bother.

We began on Wednesday a about 10 o'clock the Field Trial Derby, for which there were ninety-nine subscribers, fifteen only, however, came foreward; and the first brace slipped were two setters, Mr. E. Bishop's nomination Danger (now the property of Mr. Brewis), and Mr. R. P. Llewellyn's Norna. Danger pointed a brace, which Norna ought to have found, and was backed indifferently at first. To gun they were both quite at home. Danger then took another point on one bird this time, and was again but middlingly backed. Two flushes, I believe, were then committed by Danger. The latter dropped. Norna then pointed a brace, was well backed, and both dropped to gun. Norna dropped exceedingly well to a hare, was well backed, but both worked indifferently. After that, Norna false-pointed, and then flushed. Then Danger pointed a hare, and dropped well, Norna backing this time; and Danger won. The next brace (pointers) were Mr. Southwell's Seneschal and Mr. Barclay Field's Drake, Seneschal flushed. Drake pointed a hare, then dropped to two birds, half-flushing them. Seneschal would not obey to whistle, and ran again into a brace. Drake dropped well to two hares, so he won easily. Mrs. G. Lowe's Lady Di and Mr. G. de L. Macdona's Rory were the next, both setters. Lady Di pointed where two birds had been, and worked very merrily. She is very pretty on her points at times. Rory is a timid worker. Lady Di pointed a brace, and Rory was drawn, Lady Di winning. Two pointer came next—viz., Mr. S. Price's Zeal and Mr. Ll. Price's Bow Bells; these two splendid bitches are sisters. Bow Bells twice chased hares about a hundred yards each time, and had to be dropped, and she was at once turned out, and Zeal's flag went up. Two setters followed, Mr. John Armstrong's Dash III. and Mr. J. Bishop's Judith II. Judith had a flush, and did not drop, but they were in a very bad field; then another flush took place. Judith pointed, got up, and the birds were found fifty yards further, having ran evidently a good way up the field; both dogs went at a great pace, and in style, and both indulged in running after birds. Dash false-pointed, and was not backed; then Judith flushed a brace, and Dash false-pointed. Then Dash put up a brace, and Judith pointed another brace. Both were steady to gun. Judith won. Major Platt's Die and Mr. Barclay Field's Brave Boy (setters)ran next, and began by a flush, and a chase. Soon after, Die flushed, and dropped only when ordered; whereas, Brave Boy pointed a bird, he then dropped to a bird, which Die was rather inclined to follow until checked. They then both flushed. Then Die pointed a brace, Brave Boy dropped to a hare; Die pointed a brace twice in succession, false-pointed, and again pointed four birds. She was very steady to gun, and Brave Boy dropped well. Two new birds got up, and Die, still on her point, dropped to them beautifully, and won. Mr. J. Bishop's Bonnie Gal and Mr. G. Brewis' Leven (setters) were the next brace. Leven ranged well; they both fell on where four birds had just got up; then Leven ran a hare, and Bonnie Gal flushed a brace, but dropped. Leven flushed, then false-pointed and flushed again, only dropping to signal. The next time was worse, the flag going up for Bonnie Gal. Next, Mr. Lloyd-Price's Flora scored a bye.

For the ties Danger and Lady Di came up. Danger dropped to two birds, which rose rather suspiciously. Lady Di pointed four birds well, and was well backed; she then false-pointed, was well backed again; then Danger pointed two birds. Lady Di would not back only when dropped by her breakers. Lady Di then flushed a brace, whereas Danger pointed a brace. She was fair to gun, and very well backed. Then two birds were flushed by both, and both dropped to wing. After luncheon we had much better scent. Danger pointed a brace, both dogs dropped to wing, and Danger won. Flora and Drake came next. Drake pointed; and both to gun were good. Flora coming up, two birds got up; she sat before them, and dropped to them. Then she found a hare and faced it without moving a muscle. Then a brace was flushed, and Flora found a hare, and deliberately turned away from it. Drake pointed birds, and was good to the gun; but Flora did not appear quite broken yet. Drake won. Judith and Di ran badly, and Di won with no merit. Zeal and Bonnie Gal began wildly. Bonnie Gal ran into a brace and had to be put down; Zeal being equally bold. Both dropped to a brace; then Zeal faced a hare grandly. Bonnie Gal false-pointed at a hare's form, and was well backed. Zeal then pointed a brace capitally, and dropped to wing splendidly, and won. Danger and Di ran jealous. Di ran into a brace, was dropped, then false pointed, then did not drop to two birds, and finally pointed a bird, and was well backed. In the next field, Di pointed a brace grandly, and each time was superbly backed; then she again finds a pair, but drawn up to them, and Danger, though wonderfully well-broken and obedient, lost.

The Pointers Drake and Zeal were slipped in a moderately fair field, where Zeal ran into a brace, then dropped to another brace, whilst Drake pointed two birds well, and won. Drake and Di then were slipped, and both ran into birds; then Di false pointed, then found a hare, trotted five yards after it, and at last stood still. Drake false-pointed, was well backed, then he pointed a bird, then flushed another, then ran into a brace and dropped. Di did the same, and Di, pointing, won. Danger and Judith came next. Danger points a brace, and roads them; Judith would not back, and would not drop to gun, then Danger flushed two birds, which settled again in front of her, and she dropped to them capitally; she then pointed a brace, was dropped to them, and Judith backed her, then a flush down the hollow took place; and Danger won. Brave Boy and Drake were wild. Brave Boy made out a bird, but ran too near it, and flushed it. Drake would not back him, and flushed a brace twice; Brave Boy, nothing loth, did the same, and would not drop to wing. Drake pointed well; and won. Danger and Drake ran next. Drake found a brace in capital style, was well backed, and both dropped well to wing. Then Danger flushed a brace, and dropped, and, repeating this fault, lost. The prizes were then given as follows: First, Major Plat's Di (setter); second, Mr. Barclay Field's Drake (pointer); third, Mr. G. Brywn's Danger (setter); fourth, Mr. S. Price's Zeal (pointer).

The last two or three runs were decided on Thursday morning, and were concludeded at about a quarter to eleven A. M., when we entered upon the Horseheath Stakes, for all-aged dogs or bitches. There were sixteen entries, and the first brace slipped were Mr. J. H. Salter's Romp and Mr. R. Ll. Price's Mend. Mend first turned down on the scent, but Romp, being ahead, also found, and stood at the brace, both being on point, in fact. To the gun they were perfect. Then Romp winded two birds and flushed them, dropping to wing and well backed by Mend. She then again ran into a brace, taking a good point, and was well backed, both dropping to wing. Romp pointed three birds again, and Mend finds, points, and is backed, but on being sent on, Romp went up to near and ran into them. Finally she false-pointed, ran into a brace, and Mend won easily. Mr. John Armstrong's Young Sam and Mr. R. P. Llewellin's Nora were the next. Young Sam ran into a brace, which Nora ought to have found; then Young Sam false-pointed on birds which had gone over the hedge. He then pointed a brace and Nora did the same, Sam taking again a false point on a runner. Nora was best and won. Sir T. B. Lennard's Mallard and Lord Downe's Bang ran next. Mallard ran into a brace badly. Bang pointed a brace, and dropped to them, but both false-pointed. Mallard flushed two birds, and Bang, again finding a brace, wins. Mr. Barcley Field's Rake and Mr. Macdona's Ranger created a sensation as usual. Ranger pointed a brace, and both dropped well to gun. Then Ranger ran into two birds, and then false-pointed. Rake points; the birds, however, are found to have run about fifty yards. Ranger then points, goes on, and finds a brace, Rake declining to back him. Rake points at six hares, and coolly admires their evolutions; then false-points twice, then points a hare, false-points, points three birds, and Ranger points two, which leaves the contest undecided. Mr. G. Brewis's Roy and Mr. S. Price's Whim ran next. Whim pointed a brace well, but was startled by the gun. She then false-pointed, and Roy would not back her. Further on, Roy did not drop to wing to two birds. He, however, pointed two braces in grand style. Whim found a brace, false-pointed, and, as she put up a brace soon after, was put out. Mr. Brandreth's Blue Belle III and Lord Downe's Young Dan were next. Blue Belle finds two birds, but jumps to the gun. Dan points a hare, then a brace, he drops well to gun, but Blue Belle runs on as if nothing had happened. Dan dropped to wing to two birds soon after, and Blue Belle chased them, and would not obey the whistle. Dan dropped to two more birds, whereas Blue Belle had to be dropped. She then finds a bird, but won't drop even when ordered. Finally, Dan ponts a brace capitally, and won easily.

After luncheon we had Mr. G. Brewer's Dash II and and Mr. G. Pilkington's Fancy. Dash had a flush. There were lots of birds in the field, and the cover was good, by the way Fancy flushed, and then pointed a bird, being well backed. Dash pointed two birds, when Fancy would not back, but went false pointing. Both dropped well to gun. Dash pointed again two birds, and Fancy would not back, so Dash won. This ran the card out, with the exception of Mr. J. H. Whitehouse's Rapid, who scored a bye on account of Naso not turning up. Rapid ran with the bitch Mend. Rapid pointed, and Mend took away his point; the birds were flushed by the crowd. Then Rapid pointed three birds, and was very well backed; he then pointed one bird splendidly, was not well backed, but both dropped well to gun; and Rapid, of course, won.

Nora and Ranger began the ties. Nora got a good point, and was very steady to gun. Ranger soon got on point too, and nailed three birds nicely. Four hares then got up, and both were very steady to them. Then Ranger pointed four birds in very grand style, then a brace twice running; Nora also pointed, about 100 yards off, a brace. She then got another point on another brace, and dropped well to birds; but Ranger only dropped when ordered; he then false pointed. Nora ran into a brace. Ranger pointed a hare, and stood her within three yards, and won; but it was very hard lines on Nora. Bang and Roy next. Roy pointed two birds, was dropped to wing by order, and to gun; both dropped well. Bang false pointed. Roy chased a hare. Bang pointed a brace; and Roy put up a brace. Bang dropped to wing to a bird, pointed a brace; and won. Dan an Dash II. were the next. Dan pointed a hare, and Dash two birds to gun; both dropped, then Dan false-pointed, but the birds got up later on. Dash also false-pointed; and after some off and on work of the same sort Dash won. Bang and Rapid had a long trial. They both ran jealous of each other, and Bang was quite out of form. At last this became manifest, and Rapid won. Dash and Ranger's trial created a great deal of interest. Dash pointed the bird when Ranger had passed, then false-pointed, whilst Ranger was taken up. When slipped again, Ranger pointed, but the birds were wild; then Dash false-pointed, but soon came on a true point on a brace capitally. Ranger had a point too, but he flushed the birds. Dash pointed a brace splendidly, then a brace of birds; then he dropped to a bird; and Ranger pointed a brace. Dash pointed again another brace when he was moderately backed. Dash drew up for a point 100 yards, and the birds were found on the right.

This concluded the Horseheath Stakes, and the awards were made as follows: First were in setters, Mr. G. Brewis' Dash II.; first in pointers, Mr. J. H. Whitehouse's Rapid; equal third and fourth, Mr. G. de L. Macdona's Ranger (setter) and Lord Downe's Bang (pointer). The £10 cup for the best of the two breeds was eventually run for between Dash and Rapid, on Friday afternoon, and Dash won it somewhat quickly.

On Friday morning we went by the train to Newport station, from whence conveyances took us to the scene of action, on Mr. Percy Brewis' estate. We began at about 11 o'clock the trials for the Kennel Club Challenge Cup. There were originally twelve subscribers, but ten dogs only ran, on account of Mr. Lort's nomination being absent, and Sir T. Lennard's pointer Mallard being lame. We began with Mr. J. R. Platt's Rhyl and Mr. T. B. Bowers' Blue Belle. Blue Belle pointed a brace, Rhyl backed, then got up, but that was because people got before him. He then pointed too, and was well backed. Rhyl then false-pointed twice, but the birds were flushed afterwards; then Blue Belle pointed a brace well. The crowd then flushed a brace, which both runners ought to have found. Belle only dropped when ordered; then false-pointed, Rhyl not backing, and won—why, I cannot very clearly see. The two next, Mr. J. H. Whitehouse's Rapid and Mr. R. J. Ll. Price's Bow Bells, ran third brace, but for the sake of arrangement, I will give their trial now. Rapid pointed a brace again. He was splendidly backed, and the whole was a very smart performance indeed, both to the gun behaving capitally. Then Bow Bells pointed two birds too, and was superbly backed, both dogs dropping to wing admirably. Rapid false-pointed, and then pointed a hare's form, and was well backed, then he false-pointed. Bow Bells pointed; Rapid would not back, runs in, excites the bitch, and they flush, Bow Bells winning. Mr. Brandreth's Ginx's Baby (setter dog) and Mr. Pilkington's Fancy (pointer bitch) were next on the card. Fancy points a brace, and is well backed twice; she ranges merrily, but the Baby is very slow. Both dropped to wing to birds which they ought to have found. Then Fancy points a brace, and wins. Mr. Barclay Field's Rake and Mr. Salter's Mike ran next. Rake pointed a brace first-rate, Mike backed at first, and then draws up to Rake. He (Mike) then false pointed. Rake pointed, and Mike again drew up to the birds; Rake was steady to gun, but Mike started on the report, and did not drop. Mike being otherwise insubordinate, Rake won. Mr. G. Brewis then brought his Dash II against Mr. Macdona's Ranger. Dash drops to two birds, and Ranger points a brace. Dash would not back, but false-pointed, then pointed a brace, and Ranger in return would not back him. Dash false-pointed again, but on going on he finds the birds. Ranger false-pointed, then pointed a hare; Dash would not back him at first, but eventually dropped to signal. He then points a brace well; Ranger does the same, but Dash declined again to back him until ordered down. Ranger afterwards points four birds, Dash points one, and dropped well to wing. On resuming ranging, Ranger runs into two birds, then he pointed, and when sent on he ran into two more birds. His quartering was bad, but he went in grand style. He soon again pointed a brace, and both dogs dropped to wing capitally. After that Dash pointed, and then drew up to a brace. In the next field Dash false-pointed, and was well backed. He then ran into a brace, but they were down were down wind, and he could not help it. A moment later he pointed a brace, and was well backed again, and both were good to gun. After some more work Ranger flushed in a bean field, and Dash pointing well two braces, won.

For the ties, Blue Belle and Bow Bells ran first. Blue Belle had a point, and when the keeper went up to her, he neglected to go ahead, but the birds were found. Bow Bells false-pointed twice, and Blue Belle flushed a brace; she then drew on, false-pointing for a hundred yards, then took a cast, and pointed a brace, and dropped capitally; she was backed marvellously well throughout. The two bitches then found, and both dropped to wing well. Then Blue Belle found a brace, was splendidly backed; and Blue Belle was declared the winner, but I cannot acquiesce in that decision. Rake and Fancy came next. Rake pointed a brace, and was backed 150 yards off. Rake false-pointed, Fancy would not back him, and broke fence. Both runners then false-pointed, Rake backing well, but sitting up like a performing bear. Finally, he pointed a brace well; Fancy would not back, and so the dog won. He was then tried with

Blue Belle, and began by pointing a brace superbly. Blue Belle did the same, and dropped to the birds capitally, well backed throughout. Rake false-pointed; then he ran into a brace, and dropped to them, but Blue Belle, on flushing also, did not drop, but went back to her keeper. Rake then pointed a brace, and any amount of false-pointing and backing followed. Finally, Blue Belle found and pointed a brace, and won. For the *finale* she ran with Dash. She first pointed the bird, then Dash pointed a brace, and was well backed, but Blue Belle did not drop to a bird. However, when a hare ran before her she stopped to my astonishment, for I thought she would have chased. Dash then pointed a brace grandly, and thus won the cup.

After the Challenge Cup decision Dash and Rapid ran for the £10 Cup (in connection with the Horseheath Stakes) to which I have already adverted. Rapid and Dash ran into a brace at starting; Dash dropped to wing, but Rapid had to be put down. Rapid then pointed the bird, but did not drop to wing; but Dash was the winner.

This brought the meeting to an end; and I am sure the sporting community are greatly indebted to the spirited efforts of Messrs. Brewis for the sport which they have shown to the lovers of setting dogs.—CYNOPHILUS *in Live Stock Journal and Fancier's Gazette.*

SUMMARIES.

FIELD TRIAL DERBY, for pointers and setter puppies bred in 1876; the winner to receive £50, second £25, third and fourth £5; a cup valued at £10 for the opposite breed to the winner of the stake.

Mr. E. Bishop ns (Mr. G. Brewer's) w b Danger, by Dan—Lady, 15 months (setter)	beat	Mr. R. P. Lewellin's bk w b Norna, by owner's Dan—Nellie. 12 mo. (setter)
Mr. Barclay Field's liv w d Drake, by Riot—Queen, 9 months (pointer)	beat	Mr. Southwell's liv w d Seneschal, by Major—Rose, 14 months (pointer)
Mrs. Geo. Lowe's w blk t b Lady Di, by Jock—Rhoda, 14 months (setter)	beat	Mr. G. de Landre Macdona's r d Rory, by Rover—Mona (setter).
Mr. S. Price's liv w b Zeal, by owner's Bang—Bell, 14 months (pointer)	beat	Mr. R. J. Lloyd Price's liv w b Bow Bells, Mr. S. Price's Bang-Leech's Bell (point')
Mr. J. Bishop's blk w b Judith II. by Prince—Judith, 12 months (setter)	beat	Mr. J. Armstrong's blk w d Dash III. by Blue Prince—Kate, 13 months (setter).
Major Piatt's blk w d Die, by Dash II.—Dolly, 13 months (setter)	beat	Mr. J. Bishop ns (Mr. Barclay Field's bk w t d Brave Boy, Barclay—Bell, 14 mo (set.)
Mr. J. Bishop ns (Mr. Barclay Field's) b w t Bonnie Gal, by Brackley—Bell, 14 mo. (setter).	beat	Mr. G. Brewis' blk w d Leven, by Jock—Rhoda, 14 months (setter).

Mr. G. Bishop ns (Mr. R. J. Lloyd Price's) liv w b Flora, by Bounce—Bloom, 13 months (pointer) a bye.

II.

Danger beat Lady Di.
Drake beat Flora.
Die beat Judith II.

Zeal (pointer) beat Bonny Gal (setter)

III.

Die beat Danger.

Drake beat Zeal.

IV.

Die beat Drake and won the stake.

HORSEHEATH STAKE, a sweepstakes of £5, 5s. each and a cup (value £10) added, for all-aged dogs or bitches, setters or pointers; £30 for the best setter, £30 for the best pointer, the third and fourth £10 each, and a £10 cup to the best of the two breeds.

Mr. R. J. Lloyd Price's liv w b Mend, by Duke—Midge (point'r)	beat	Mr. Salter's bk w b Romp, by Chang—Romp (pointer)
Mr. R. P. Llewellin's bk w t b Nora by owner's Dan—Nellie (setter.)	beat	Mr. J. Armstrong's bk w t d Young Sam, by Mr. Llewellin's Sam—Bess (setter).
Mr. G. T. Bartram ns (Ld. Downe's) Bang by Bounce—Jilt (pointer)	beat	Sir Thomas Lennard's liv w d Mallard, by Drake (pointer.
Mr. Macdona's bk w t d Ranger, by Quince II.—Judy (setter)	beat	Mr. Barclay Field's bk w t d Rake, by Fred II.—Rhœbe (setter)
Mr. Percy Brewis' liv w d Roy, by Brighton—Flora (pointer)	beat	Mr. S. Price's liv w b Whim by Bang—Moll (pointer).
Lord Downe's bk w d Young Sam by Sam—Flash (setter)	beat	Mr. Brandreth ns (Mr. Bower's) Blue Belle III., by Blue Prince—Cora (setter).
Mr. Whitehouse's liv w d Rapid, by Chang—Romp (pointer), a bye	beat	Mr. J. Bishop's Naso, absent
Mr. G. Brewis' w bk t d Dash II., by Blue Prince—Kate (setter).	beat	Mr. G. Pilkington's liv w b Fancy, by Lord Sefton's Marquis—Jessie (pointer)

II.

Rapid beat Mend.
Ranger beat Nora.

Bang beat Roy.
Dash II. beat Dan.

III.

Rapid beat Nora

Dash II. beat Ranger.

Mr. G. Brewis' Dash II. first setter prize; Mr. Whitehouse's Rapid first pointer prize; Mr. Macdona's Ranger third prize; Mr. Bartram ns (Lord Downe's) Bang fourth prize.

Lineage of the Otter Spaniel.

CHICAGO, May 1, 1877.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—In one of your former issues I noticed amongst your correspondence, one from Chesterton, Ind., who writes: "We have a pair of water spaniels in this town brought from Wisconsin, a *fac simile* of the otter spaniel, their fore legs turn out like a turnspit. I can't place them, they are different from any I have seen, good enough for any body, no matter what the breed may be." I am satisfied he speaks the truth when after calling them water spaniels, then saying they are like the otter spaniel, he says: "I can't place them." So I will, as far as I am able, give him the origin of the breed—there is no breed of spaniels in this country or England, to my knowledge, known as otter spaniels. The first time I ever heard that name for any breed of spaniels, was at the Chicago Dog Show. A liver colored spaniel bitch was on exhibition and for sale, with crooked fore legs. She was represented as being of, imported stock with pedigree, etc., as a pure otter spaniel. Whether these representations were made for the purpose of misleading those who had never seen such legs on a spaniel of the many breeds, viz.: cockers, Clumbers, Sussex, King Charles, Blenheims, water spaniels, etc., I leave it for the public to judge. The bitch was purchased by Jessie Sherwood, of Edina, Mo. This much regarding the name of otter spaniel. Now regarding the breed. Some twenty years ago I undertook, by crossing the various breed of spaniels, to produce one with ears that should trail on the ground when the dog was standing on his fore legs; in this I was not successful, but did produce some with *extra* long, heavily feathered ears, that were exceedingly handsome; also good hunters on snipe, woodcock and partridge; they were also good retrievers on land or water. In color, some liver and white, some all liver, others black, black and white, and black and tan. The starting point was a liver and white cocker bitch. I bred her to a long bodied, short legged, liver colored spaniel, with the longest and heaviest ears I ever saw, except those I bred from him; his fore legs were crooked, his coat rather curly. Regarding his breeding I know nothing, I purchased him at Sarnia, Canada, from an employee of the Grand Trunk railway company, who said he was left there by an Englishman on his way West. From this cross I had some very handsome dogs, but a part of the litter had crooked legs like the sire, those I gave away, keeping the straight legged ones to breed from. They were not quite as long in body as the sire, but still longer than pleased me, but they had what I was breeding for, extra long heavy ears. I then crossed with a black and tan King Charles spaniel, about twelve pounds weight. This cross produced a better shape without much loss in length of ear, it also produced the black and white and black and tan color, with some crooked fore legs. I continued to breed them for some length of time and of those I bred a large majority came with straight legs, but those I gave away were not as judiciously bred, and produced, as a general rule crooked fore legs. After breeding them some ten years I was satisfied that although they were very handsome and good hunters, they were not what I wanted as retrievers of wild fowl (a favorite sport of mine), as they had neither the size nor length of leg required for retrieving ducks in all localities, so I imported the Irish water spaniel, and think I now have a breed of perfect duck retrievers. I have not however lost all love for my old breed, as I have recently purchased a pair of them to experiment a little more with; they are as your correspondent says, "good enough for anybody, whatever the breed may be," but they are neither water nor otter spaniels. The breed still exists in various parts of Wisconsin, where they are considered for those who prefer to hunt woodcocks, snipes and partridges over a spaniel the best breed for that purpose, as they are easily trained, and for their size (twenty-five to thirty-five pounds in weight) good retrievers. The smaller spaniels are great pets for children, being handsome, affectionate, easily taught tricks and naturally very cleanly. I have now a liver and white bitch and black and white dog of the breed, as I prefer the broken to the solid colors, thinking them handsomer, but no better.

Jr H. WHITMAN.

New York Bench Show.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 21, 1877.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Having received your paper containing the catalogue and awards made at the New York Bench Show. I am satisfied what enterprise can accomplish. The sportsmen in all sections may congratulate themselves with the assurance that when there is any news in which they feel an interest, they can be sure to find it in the CHICAGO FIELD in advance of all competitors. In your last week's edition I fully agree with you in your remarks regarding the awards in champion Irish setter class. Echo is, to my mind, a far better type of the Irish setter, according to the standard by which the class is judged, than Rufus; not that Rufus has not many good points, but he has a faulty head and light eye, which all authorities condemn; neither is he so good in color as Elcho. The judging on Irish setters has not got to be such at bench shows in this country that one can, with much confidence, decide whether he is breeding a prize winner or not. Another feature of the show I consider entirely wrong, which was to admit Carrie to compete in the class for champion Irish bitches, when it is well known she is bred between the Laverack and Irish, consequently a cross-bred bitch, and not pure Irish. I regret to see that toy setters, on account of their beauty, are considered entitled to win prizes. What the sportsmen of this country want are dogs fit to hunt in any and all localities; those that have endurance, with sufficient size and bone to last for a week's hunt instead of a day's shooting, and of such size that every bunch of reeds or tuft of grass will not hide them from the sight of their master. The purpose for which sporting dogs are required must not be lost sight of in breeding for beauty, for that without good field qualities is worthless to the true sportsman, but combined they make a valuable animal. I do not write these remarks to complain in any way of the judging, as it is a task but few are competent to undertake, and those who thus far have been the principal judges have given far better satisfaction than could be expected when nearly every exhibitor has his beau ideal of what constitutes a perfect dog. It may be entirely different from the standard, in which case the exhibitor claims the standard is wrong. In the Gordon class you speak very highly of J. Marble's Grouse. No one will deny he is a handsome dog, but I consider him more after the style of the English than the Gordon setter in formation. He is not heavy enough in head and other points for the Gordon standard; but as nearly every individual has his own ideas on these points comments are useless. There is a standard adopted by the National Kennel Club, which, until changed, every dog should be judged by, even though it be at variance with the ideas of the judge, for parties who enter their stock to be judged by National Kennel Club rules, expect this, and have reason to complain if standard is not followed.

EXHIBITOR.

WILL NOT BE THERE.—May 20, 1877.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—Remarks upon the weather, in this part of the country, are getting monotonous, and any one anxious to know what kind we are enjoying (?) can read my growls in the CHICAGO FIELD for the last two months and find out. Audible criticisms are plenty, and consist generally of naughty words, which it would not do to print. Since my last letter, I have visited Des Moines, and enjoyed the pleasure of taking "Eland" and "Schneider" by the hand, as well as making the acquaintance of quite a number of gentlemen belonging to the Des Moines Sportsmen's Club. I had a hunt for "Junior Dan," but guess the young man was shooting marbles in some back alley, as he was not to be found. Dr. Morrison, the President of the Des Moines Club, is a thorough sportsman and gentleman, and I am under many obligations to him for his courtesy in introducing me to so many lovers of the dog and gun. Both "Eland" and "Schneider" laid me under obligations for the future. Quite a number of fine dogs are owned in Des Moines. Fred. Vincent has a brace of Gordons which would be hard to beat anywhere. Mr. McKissin has a liver colored pointer pup which would attract attention in any company, and "Schneider" has a red Irish bitch, Gipsey, pretty as a picture. I think these dogs will be heard from at Hampton this Fall.

Under the call of the Des Moines Club, a meeting will be held on the 29th inst. for the purpose of organizing our State Association. The indications are that it will be well attended. I regret very much that I will be unable to attend, but will be on hand at the next meeting.

Our tournament at Creston is going to be the largest and best attended of any yet held this far west. It being strictly amateur has induced a great many to conclude to come who are not in the habit of attending such meetings as a general thing.

I have received a letter from "Guido" informing me that it is a settled fact that Memphis will be represented at the Iowa Field Trials, and I sincerely trust others of our southern friends will determine to come also. Everywhere I have been lately, I hear commendations of your enterprise in reporting the New York Bench Show.

DRACO.

A UNION OF BLUE BLOODS.—Killaloe, Ireland, April, 1877.—I have just returned here from Dublin, where I went last week, at great inconvenience, to personally inspect the service of Mr. Charles F. Bancroft's (of Baltimore) beautiful bitch Lilly, by the world-famed champion Irish setter, Palmerston. Lilly was warded on the 20th, so that her puppies will come in a good time for rearing. This is, I believe, the first of the Palmerston blood that has crossed the Atlantic. Coming from such a picture as is Lilly, the puppies for color, dash, and a rare combination of breeding, will have no superiors in the Old or New World. I here publicly ask Mr. Bancroft, as I have already done privately, should he intend to, in part, reimburse himself for his spirited outlay in the importation of Lilly by the disposal of some of her litter, to see they go into only such hands as appreciate and know how to develope the undoubted qualities of the Irish setter. It was originally intended to have put Lilly to Dick, but by the change to "grand old Pam," as he is familiarly called, the Irish reds will have taken another step in the right direction, good as Dick undoubtedly is.

Look to your laurels, you Royal Reds, and you, you "Irish Queen," take heed, least an old kennel companion should ask you to abdicate in her favor, beautiful, undoubtedly beautiful as you are. Do Lilly, give the prerogative to age, and leave Kathleene on a throne she so worthily adorns. When matchless Sal joins you in your home beyond the wave, it I conceive, would be "silly," as it has already been abortive, to lower the prestage of your former kennels.

As at your side many of our good ones have gone to "happier hunting grounds." Amongst others, Doctor Stone's champion Dash, and his namesake Captain Knox's, late Mr. Jephsons old dog, full brother to Palmerston, as also Mr. Rutledge's fine bitch Norah, after giving birth to, I am informed, a fine litter by Palmerston. Many of our leading kennels have been swept clean of puppies by that dire scourge, distemper.

JOHN M. NIALL.

"RIDICULUS MUS."—The labors of the Centennial commissioners regarding the Centennial Dog Show, of Philadelphia, are at last bringing forth fruit in over due season. We received on May the 21st an order from the Bureau of Awards to forward Mr. Von Culin the CHICAGO FIELD cup for "the best Irish setter over one year." Mr. Von Culin may be proud of his young dog Rufus II. who took the prize, as the award was made by the unanimous vote of the judges, and as a "special," did not come under the please-all influence of their honors, the commissioners.

LLEWELLIN'S VICTORIES.—Hillsdale, Mich., May 22.—*Editor Chicago Field:*—By the London *Field* report of the "National Pointer and Setter Field Trials" at Shrewsbury, April 25th and 26th, I see that Mr. Llewellin won the setter puppy stakes with Norna, and the Peplow Stakes for aged bitches with Nora. Both of these bitches are by Dan out of Nelly, and are full sisters to my Queen Mab.

ARNOLD BURGES.

CHEAP.—We take pleasure in calling the attention of Mr. G. W. Poyneer's advertisement of some Irish-Gordon pups by Champion Rufus. Whatever we may think of Rufus as a show dog, his stock getting qualities cannot be gainsaid.

LEAVE HIS MARK.—Mr. S. B. Dilley's Ranger, though unrewarded himself at New York, has earned laurels through his get, Royal Fan, Dash, Black Prince and Fleet, having taken first prizes at Chicago, Baltimore and New York.

NATIONAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB.—The meeting of this organization will not take place on the 5th, but on Tuesday, 19th of June, at Syracuse, N. Y.

Whelps.

FRISK.—Mr. Jesse Sherwood's Frisk has whelped five by Mr. A. C. Waddel's imported red Irish setter Grouse.

JULE.—Mr. Von Culin's (Delaware City, Del.,) pointer bitch Jule, whelped, on May 1st, five dogs and three bitches by Brook's Bingo.

PETREL.—Mr. M. Von Culin's champion Laverack setter bitch Petrel has whelped three dogs and three bitches by champion Leicester.

PEG.—Dr. N. Rowe's (Chicago) Peg, whelped eleven on May 13th; they are by Rock, six dogs and five bitches; four bitches since dead.

FLOX.—Mr. Jesse Sherwood's (Edina, Mo.,) imported Clumber spaniel bitch Flox whelped seven, lemon and white, sired by imported Jock, who died some time back.

BESS.—Mr. John Ferguson's (Indianapolis, Ind.,) Gordon bitch Bess, whelped, on May 15th, six dogs and five bitches, sired by Bergundthal's Rake; all black, white and tan.

DAISY D.—Mr. A. C. Waddell's, (Edina, Mo.) setter bitch Daisy D. whelped eight dog pups on May 21st. Mr. Waddell says she "is the handsomest animal I ever saw."

DIANA.—On May 2nd Mr. Franklin Sumner's (Milton, Mass.,) setter bitch Diana, by Leicester out of Doll, whelped seven bitches and three dogs by Luther Adams field-trial winner, Drake.

NINA.—Mr. C. A. Sumner's (Milford, Mass.,) red Irish setter bitch Nina, has whelped four by Red Hugh; two dogs and a bitch are living and strong. The bitch was very fat when in whelp.

DI.—Mr. T. A. Wilcox's (Cedar Rapids, Ia.) Di, by Leicester, out of Dart, whelped eleven on the 12th inst., five dogs and six bitches. Five dogs and one bitch have since died. Sired by C. F. Demuth's Dash. Those living are doing well.

Visits.

DOT-RUPERT.—Mr. L. Adams' Dot visited Mr. Jesse Sherwood's champion Gordon setter Rupert on May 1st.

FLORA-BEN.—Mr. J. R. Schuyler's (Bloomsburg, Pa.) St. Bernard bitch Flora has visited Mr. Charles' Ben.

MINNIE-SOTA.—Mr. S. B. Dilley's (Lake City, Minn.) pointer bitch Minnie Sota has visited same owner's champion Ranger.

LEE-DIXIE AND LILLY-SING.—Mr. Jesse Sherwood's beagles Lee and Dixie have been mated, as also same owner's Lilly and Sing.

CARRIE-RUPERT.—Mr. Jesse Sherwood's Carrie, by Marr, out of Dutchess has visited the same owner's champion Gordon setter Rupert.

QUEEN.—Mr. H. J. Edwards' white English setter bitch Queen has visited Mr. J. H. Whitman's red Irish setter Ranger on May 21st.

JUNE-GRAND DUKE.—Mr. Harry Malcom's (Baltimore) Gordon setter bitch June has visited J. H. Stromberg's Grand Duke, second prize winner, Baltimore.

QUEEN.—Mr. S. B. Dilley's pointer bitch Queen celebrated her triumphant return from New York by a visit to champion Ranger. Queen took first prize for the best pointer bitch and progeny.

WHOLESALE.—At Monroe, Mich., last week Mr. John Davidson celebrated his safe return from judging at New York by "a regular manufactory of dogs," as he calls it. Doll was bred to Dash II, Flora II to Chester and Nellie to Charm. From these happy unions "John" promises "to breed field-trial and bench show winners."

Names Claimed.

STAR-GRACE-GAMBOL.—I claim the name of Star for my lemon and white dog pup by Rock, out of Waddell's Susa, and Grace and Gambol for my dog and bitch by Rob Roy out of Sherwood's Nellie, all whelped March 14th, 1877. These pups need only be equal to their dams to be beauties and clippers in the field.

WM. W. ACKERMAN.

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CHICAGO, SATURDAY, MAY 26, 1877.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

NEW YORK, May 21, 1877.

Of all the sells of which New Yorkers have been victims, the so-called carnival which occurred on Tuesday last, is the biggest. Large posters, got up in the most gorgeous style, had been posted in every hotel and conspicuous place in the city, and surrounding cities within a hundred miles. The daily papers gave frequent notices of the preparation in progress, and everybody anticipated something which, in grandeur, would exceed anything ever witnessed—New Orleans and Memphis, during the Mardi Gras, not excepted. Exactly why there should be a carnival at this particular time no one knew or stopped to consider; it was to extinguish every previous carnival and that was sufficient. There was to be a procession in the day and another at night—the latter *the* one; and a masquerade ball at Gilmore's Garden at night, for the tickets for which five dollars was the sum.

On Saturday morning week, while some of the dogs had not yet been removed, preparations were commenced for transforming the Garden into the fairy land it was to represent on Tuesday night.

Tuesday morning, about ten o'clock, the day procession moved on its way to the battery to receive Rex, who came up the bay in a tug, chartered for the occasion, from where no one knew no more than they did who Rex was. Crowds gathered to see the procession, which was nothing more than an advertising affair. One institution had eleven wagons in the line. People were much disappointed, but consoled themselves with the fact that the night procession would be *the* one and that they could be amply repaid in that for their disappointment in this one.

Innumerable rows of seats had been erected near the Worth monument, in Madison square, around the Park in Union square, and in front of some of the hotels, the charge for which was one dollar and fifty cents each, at which they were rapidly sold. The windows of the hotels and buildings along the route found ready rent at prices ranging from five dollars to ten dollars, and great was the regret of those who had not been able to procure a seat or a window.

By seven o'clock people began to congregate in the parks and along the route, until by 8 o'clock Union and Madison squares were so densely crowded as to render it impossible to force one's way through. It is generally conceded, on no occasion has so large a crowd been seen in New York, excepting it may be on the night of the 3d of last July at the celebration of the Centennial 4th of July; and many are of the opinion that the crowd of Tuesday night was the larger. At 10 o'clock the procession whirled into Union square, and a more disgusted lot of spectators was never seen. It was in length about an eighth of what it was expected to be and was as paltry in appearance to what had been promised it should be as it was in length. No better idea can be given of it than the remark of an individual as he descended from a platform, for four seats on which he had paid six dollars: "I have many times been pretty badly sold and failed to get the value for my money, but never so badly before. It was not worth the time we waited to see it, much less six dollars for the seats."

Somebody has made considerable out of it, as $15,000 in all was subscribed, and certainly it would be difficult to see how over $5,000 could have been spent, and that seems like allowing a large margin. The money was raised by subscriptions from individuals and hotels in sums varying from one to two hundred dollars. Moreover, "the knights of the realm" paid ten dollars each for the privilege; the advertising wagons in the day procession paid fifteen dollars each, netting over $3,000, and though last not least, Rex paid $1500 for the few moments of royalty he enjoyed. Who Rex is, is not known. The name of the party who got up the affair is St. Martin, originally from New Orleans and latterly from Cincinnati.

The ball at Gilmore's Garden was just as big a fizzle. After midnight, the respectable portion of the small gathering there left; and the disreputable portion, now alone, gave way to the most disgusting conduct. At this time from twenty-five cents to a dollar slipped into the hands of the doorkeepers gained the ready admission of a five dollar ticket earlier.

Some idea of the expectations and realizations can be formed from the fact that Bigot sold but two gallons of the eighty gallons of ice cream he had provided; the man who bought the privilege of the bar lost over $1,000, and the man who paid $600 for the privilege of the cloak and coat room took in about $100 only.

Much disappointment is felt at Aristides having gone amiss, compelling the abandonment of the match between him and Ten Broeck. But yet it is not wholly unexpected, many believing that his leg, if not giving way in his preparatory work, would fail him in the race, a fact which made Ten Broeck the favorite.

Sporting matters generally are very dull. Nothing of any importance is on hand until the Jerome Park meeting, which commences on the 2d of June, and the National and State Sportsmen's meetings at Syracuse. The National meeting is fixed for June 19th, and the State meeting, June 18th. It will, without doubt, be the largest meeting of the Association ever held; and in consequence of the arrangements by which those not members of the Association can shoot in sweepstakes, it is expected a very large number of visitors will be present. The prizes for the regular contests are said to be very handsome.

In Armory Hall the dog show will be held under charge of Mr. Lincoln, which is sufficient to guarantee it will be well conducted. The prizes are in cash, excepting four fifty dollar prizes, which the Westminster Kennel Club had left over from their show, and which they have donated. The show of dogs no doubt will be large and of good quality. The date for the show is the same as that of the convention.

The Aquarium is receiving the support the enterprise of the proprietors deserve. Another white whale captured at Anticosti, off the coast of Labrador, has been received, and fills the place of the one which died a short time since. This is the fourth white whale, two having died since the Aquarium was opened in October last. To the visitor to the city the Aquarium is well worth a visit. The one to be opened at Coney Island by the proprietors of this one is very nearly completed. It is being constructed under the direction of Mr. Fred Mather, who will have charge of it.

The dog show still forms a considerable topic of conversation. As usual there are a great many who have not been pleased. Among the dogs in the catalogue and not at the show is Capt. J. Wm. Foster's imported English setter bitch Kirby, she being out of condition, having a litter of puppies. Mr. Raymond sold Rev. Henry Ward Beecher his blue belton setter bitch Blue Belle, by Pride of the Border out of Waddell's Polly. John T. Raymond's (Colonel Sellers) speculation in pugs turned out as most of the Colonel's speculations do. He now thinks they are only good for a flyer. He has found out the one he bought is blind in one eye. Even his eye water will not cure it. The Saint Bernard dog, Bruno, which Mr. Macdona brought out with him, and Mr. Lester Wallack purchased for £125, died Saturday morning. It is supposed that he did not get over the effects of his sea voyage.

It turns out that the Westminster Club lost nearly four instead of two thousand dollars from the sale of counterfeit tickets, and the best of the joke is that the speculators got the club to redeem a large number of these bogus tickets.

The pointer dog Snapshot, exhibited as Mr. Lloyd Price's, is yet here, the Westminster Club having made an offer for him. It must be a very small one, for he is a coarse brute, mangy, and eight years old.

A prize which was omitted in the report of the show, and seems not to have been remembered by any other journal, is a gold medal, presented by the citizens of Newark for the best brace of dogs, setters or pointers, owned in Sussex county, New Jersey, which was awarded to Mr. E. A. Hawes, of Newark, N. J., for his brace Nick and Ned.

It is a very fortunate thing that the show did not take place last week, for that remarkable and yet indispensable individual, "the oldest inhabitant" can not remember a year when it has been so warm at this season as during last week. For five days the thermometer was 89 to 91 in the shade, which is hot for July and August, but for May, is doubly hot, as so few are prepared for, and any way a jump from Spring overcoats to ninety-one is very sensibly felt. On Friday and Saturday there were several cases of exhaustion. Indeed, it seemed as though New York never was so hot before. One result is that navigation, which was at least two weeks behind, is now as many ahead. It is wonderful to note the change in a week. Trees, of which the buds had just began to swell, are now leafed out as though it were the middle of June. Yesterday was the hottest day and happily the end of the present heated term, as to-day it is delightfully cool.

Forest fires through northern New York, Pennsylvania and New England, have committed fearful havoc. What effect such fires have on our forest birds can be gathered from the following from the *Herald's* Boston correspondent of the 17th inst:

"Captain Bearse, of the steamer Glaucus, relates a curious incident of his last trip from New York. While passing through Long Island Sound, on Tuesday night, the sky being thick with smoke from the prairie fires to the southward, it was observed, after nine o'clock, that the air was full of birds, apparently bewildered and in search of a resting place. Attracted by the glare of the ship's lights they steered their flight toward the vessel, and, striking against the masts or the house, fell dead upon the deck. A few of them were found to be alive. About 200 in all were picked up on the deck, representing thirteen different kinds of forest birds. During five hours they continued to drop on the vessel, she going at the time full twelve knots per hour, and multitudes of the poor creatures must have perished in the water. It is probable that the birds were driven from Long Island by the extensive forest fires and were flying over the Sound for shelter."

Mr. L. H. Smith has not recovered his bitch Victress, although a reward of $100 has been offered for her. This settles the question about the ordinary dog thief, as had she been taken by one, the large reward of one hundred dollars would have brought her back. A well founded impression prevails that an individual who *pretends* to be a sportsman and gentleman hired a thief to steal the bitch. It is to be regretted that such a blot should be on sportsmen. But certain it is, the crime will come home to him sooner or later, as detectives have been set to watch him; consequently, the bitch is useless to him, for he can never show her in public or breed her.

After reading the report of the dog show of our last issue, we cannot but reflect how entirely we are at the mercy of the printer and the proof-reader, for words out of place and grammatical errors.

The Westminster Kennel Club, on next Friday, the 25th inst., give the Rev. J. Cumming Macdona a dinner at Delmonico's. On Saturday he returns to Europe. MOHAWK.

THE MANAGEMENT OF TROTTING ASSOCIATIONS

With few exceptions, our trotting associations throughout the country are making a radical change of policy in the amount of money they are giving at their fairs. Premiums, sensationally large, are an item of past turf history. Rashness and inexperience have given place to prudence and experience. The financial history of most associations is that of a continued series of annual losses. Some policy must be hit upon to reverse this result, or most of the associations, earlier or later, will discontinue the business. In this direction something will have been accomplished by the general reduction of premiums. Much can be accomplished also by a radical revision of the rules. But there are many associations that cannot be placed upon a paying basis by these aids or any other. About twenty per cent. of our associations constitute this class. The reasons therefor are, that they are not immediately surrounded with a sufficiently numerous population to sustain them, or they are remotely situated on tangents to natural circuits of trotters. Some associations are unfortunate enough to labor under both misfortunes. But there is seventy per cent. beside this class that have never made any money. About one half of this number are overburdened with investment, and under any auspices, and managed properly, could not be made to declare a reasonable dividend. But they can be made to pay something over and above expenses, one year with another. It is therefore more profitable to go ahead than to stand still. Such experience, however, is disorganizing and some will suspend operations for this reason. The remaining half of this seventy per cent. are not so unfortunate as to investment, but still they have never made money. Those who have too much in investment should lose no opportunity to unload upon agricultural societies or otherwise. In which event they can arrange to commence anew, or reserve a right to use of grounds during certain months of the year. But there are other causes of failure to declare satisfactory dividends beside these above enumerated. Very few kinds of business can be made remunerative without some regard for economy in its management. Nor are horse fairs an exception to the rule. Associations will stand a much better chance to contemplate their annual balance sheet with some degree of satisfaction, by the introduction of rigid economy into their management. Many associations can reduce their individual expenses fifty per cent. "Circuits" offer material inducements in this direction, because the ratio of expenses in all sorts of advertising ought to be fifty per cent. less than by separate management. But there is a limit to the benefit to be derived from membership of a circuit. This was the experience of the great "Septilateral" last year. It is doubtful if any benefits outweighing disadvantages can be derived by an association occupying a place in a circuit after the first three meetings. Most associations have too many supernumeraries to assist upon racing days. They enjoy the races, do little or no work, but draw pay. Sinecurists should not be patronized, nor those who want princely pay for services. The election of suitable officers is another step in the right direction. If they have tact and aptitude for supervising details, as well as experience, so much the better for the prospects of the association. The amount of premiums is a question which should secure due consideration. In reaching a decision the principal question to consider is, probable amount of revenue from all sources. The arrangement of programme is a question somewhat involved, in determining the amount of premiums. As a detail of business it is entitled to quite as much consideration as the amount of premiums. Two races a day are enough for the best interests of the association. The "big circuit," as well as many other associations, have experimented by making more classes, but their conclusion seems to have been that such experiments were unprofitable, judging by their reported classification for this season. An extra race seldom, if ever, secures its necessary ten paying entries to pay the purse, and rarely increases the slightest degree the gateage. In determining classes, the largest probable number of entries is the point to consider. Nor is it always good policy to give the largest purses to those classes in which there is likely to be the smallest number of entries. Conditions of programme require some care in arranging. It is important to state, 1st. Place of location of association. 2d. Name of association. 3d. Date of meeting. 4th. Distance of races. 5th. Manner of going. 6th. Date of closing entries. 7th. With whom. Except as specified, the rules provide for a complete programme. Most associations add. 1st. Heats may be trotted alternately. 2d. Horses distancing the field or a part thereof will receive but one premium. Many add also, forage free to horses entered. It is quite an attraction to horsemen and usually costs associations nothing. In the preparation for fairs, associations acting discreetly as to the various detail above mentioned, will have done nearly all that is possible to protect themselves against loss. The permanent success, however, depends in a great measure upon their popularity with the public. The public are supposed to know little or care less about the preparatory detail of a trotting meeting. What interests them most is the quality of the trotting, and the *management of the judges' stand.* They are very exacting and rebel against any management that resorts to any species of deception to secure their attendance. They go to witness races just as advertised. They look suspiciously upon any management advertising large fields of entries, when one half of them do not appear for the word; and also upon the absence of any noted horse or horses. Nor should it be forgotten that they do not endorse postponements either before or after a race has commenced, except for the best of reasons. Any cropping out of a disposition to lengthen out the meeting a day thoroughly disgusts them. Aware of the dates of the races, most persons have so managed their private affairs as to attend one or more of the days advertised. Avoidable postponements derange their plans and disgust them and does not increase gate receipts. Any species of imposition sooner or later will be found expensive. In our next issue we will make some suggestions as to beginning, conducting and judging races at our horse fairs to best meet the demands of the public and turfmen. Not because our method is the best, nor because it is invulnerable to criticism; but because we think pretty well of it ourselves, and believe it quite as good as that pursued by the more popular class of associations.

THE KENNEL REGISTER.—It is now definitely settled that the National American Kennel Club will publish the Kennel Register, as will be seen from the following report of the proceedings of the special meeting on the 11th inst., furnished us by the Secretary *pro tem.*, Dr. Jarvis:

In response to a call by the president, at the request of several members, for a special meeting of the National American Kennel Club, a meeting was held on Friday, May 11th, at 10:30 A. M., in parlors of the Ashland House, New York.

Owing to a slight misunderstanding as to the time of meeting there was not so full an attendance as there would otherwise have been, however, the West had worthy representatives in the president, Dr. Rowe, and Mr. Dilley, of Minnesota. Canada was represented by Mr. Smith, and the East by Messrs. Lathrop, Raymond, Hammond, Marble and Jarvis. The meeting was called to order by the president, Dr. N. Rowe, in the chair. The secretary being absent, on motion of Mr. Lathrop, Dr. Jarvis was appointed secretary *pro tem.*, and the business of the meeting was then attended to. Dr. Rowe, in a few remarks, as the representative and editor of the CHICAGO FIELD, tendered the pedigrees published by that paper for the use of the club. After a thorough discussion by several of the gentlemen present in regard to the publication of a Kennel Register which would be regarded as authority, and national in its character, by the sportsmen throughout the land, Mr. Raymond submitted the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, In the opinion of this meeting it is desirable to expedite the publication of a kennel club register, under an authority that will both harmonize all fairly conflicting views and command the respect, and elicit the cordial support of the sportsmen of America.

Resolved, That the tender of the pedigrees and kennel histories published and possessed by the CHICAGO FIELD for the use of the Club be accepted with thanks.

Resolved, That the *Forest and Stream* be courteously invited to submit for the purpose of such publication the records of pedigrees in its possession.

Resolved, That such publication by the Club be made by some prominent and respectable publishing house other than one connected with any of the sportsmen's newspapers.

These resolutions having been carried further discussion took place in regard to the committee on the compilation and publication of the book.

Mr. Smith desired all sectional prejudice and newspaper rivalry to be done away with. That the National American Kennel Club likewise its Stud Book should be free from even a taint of suspicion of being in the interest of any kennel or section of the country, or of any newspaper; and he thought that unless such was the case its birth would be its death.

Mr. Lathrop thought that the gentlemen present were proof that the club was not sectional in its character.

Mr. Raymond moved that a gentleman from the west, one from the east, and one from Canada, compose the publication committee.

Mr. Lathrop moved that Mr. Theodore Morford, of New Jersey, be placed upon that committee in place of Mr. Burges, with Messrs. Smith and Sterling, Dr. Rowe having stated that Mr. Burges was desirous of yielding his place upon the committee to an eastern man so as to remove sectional or newspaper jealousies. Both their motions, together with the amendment that Mr. Morford not being a present member of the Club be waived, were carried. It was then moved and carried that the secretary *pro tem.* send proceedings of the meeting to the sporting papers.

No further business coming before the meeting, on motion of Mr. Raymond, it was adjourned *sine die.*

Game and Shooting.

Sportsmen's Fixtures for 1877.

The National Sportsmen's Association.—Syracuse, N. Y., June 5.
New York State Association for the Protection of Fish and Game.—Syracuse, May —.
Illinois State Sportsmen's Association.—Sycamore, June 12.

The Other Side.

NEW YORK, May 15th, 1877.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—I suppose the proper thing for me to do is to wilt, like the flower when the hot breath of the southern wind is breathed upon it, after such a scorching blast from "Pious Jeems;" or else seek the deepest shades of oblivion, and there hide my diminished head, after such a scathing rebuke as he hurled at it in the last issue of "our paper." But somehow I don't wilt "worth a cent," nor feel inclined, just at present, to don the penetential sack cloth, even at the bidding of so learned a mentor and righteous a judge. I cannot cry *peccavi*, for I do not know that I have sinned. I am aware that his *ipse dixit*—*ex cathedra* as it were—ought to be sufficient to establish the fact, and that I ought to begin sprinkling ashes without further parley, but I am one of those hard headed "infernal Yankees" who wants to be *convinced* of a fault before atonement is made, and I am *not* convinced. Possibly my conscience may be "seared"—it is certainly void of offense and has "nary" a thrill of compunction or remorse. Neither is any "sympathetic thought" awakened from the fact (I admit with all my heart that it *is* a fact) that "there is not a pot-hunter with a soul large enough to rattle in the hull of a mustard seed." If my highly sensitive organization survives the wound made by this shaft of sarcasm—sarcasm so cruel and cutting, albeit so delicate and refined—launched from the bow of such a mighty hunter. I shall probably "go my way and sin (?)" *some* more, and shall consider that "a greater evil befalls" me when I miss the fox than when I receive such "fight castigation" from so valiant a whipper-in. That "the idea of shooting a fox is *not* "revolting to me no doubt seems rank heresy to my bilious friend "Jeems," and he will consign me, in language forcible if not elegant, to that winter resort which his infernal Majesty is popularly supposed to patronize, I am sorry to differ with him on points of etiquette in sport, for I have a sincere admiration of him as a writer on field sports, and great respect for him as a thorough sportsman, which I know him to be. Still, I claim that fox hunting as conducted in the New England states is not pot-hunting, and that indulging in it does not in the least degree compromise a man's worthiness to the proud title of *sportsman*. Education and custom make a think right or wrong; they are the circumstances which alter cases. What appears to be outlandish and heathenish in one country, is held in high esteem in another; what is held to be a sin by one nation becomes a religion to another. The fox is not in our best graces—is not considered a "game bird" by us "down Easters"—and while we should blush to shoot quails from the trap or a huddled bevy, we do not hesitate to shoot such vermin, and think it good fun to hear the dogs "foller." Foxes destroy innumerable quail and ruffed grouse—our pet birds, one of which is more dear to us than a dozen foxes—and that is another reason why we think it perfectly proper to kill them. We also take much pleasure in listening to the "trumpet-mouthed hounds," and consider that the sport is perfectly legitimate, even though we shoot the fox ahead of them. The fault is not in ourselves, but in our education and customs. I know riding to hounds must be a soul-stirring sport, and no one would indulge in it with greater zest than this same "infernal Yankee" if he could. *Then* to shoot a fox would seem to me indeed "revolting" and a "flagrant offense." No one would condemn it more heartily than I; but, hunting them as we are *obliged* to do, it becomes a different sport, and shooting them just as legitimate as shooting a deer or hare ahead of hounds, though I consider neither of them the highest order of sport. If "Pious Jeems" has sufficiently recovered from being "nauseated or sea sick" to stand reading my poor article again, he will find I was not on horseback, as he evidently supposes, and that I distinctly stated, and there was a tone of regret in my words, that here the very nature of the country prevented our riding to hounds, "so we must e'en do the best we can." He and I look at this matter from different standpoints, and see it in the different light thrown upon it by education and customs. I can easily understand why our practice should seem barbarous to him, for his standpoint is that *all* fox hunting should be conducted as he is accustomed to see it, and his education leads him to think that no other way *can* be right. A comforting belief to him no doubt, but rather narrow and bigoted. I do not write this letter as an apology for our "way of doing it," it needs none, but simply to disabuse the mind of our Mississippian "friend and brother" of a false impression, and because I am anxious to convince him that we are not a set of pot hunters.

For God sake, "Jeems," don't think we are *all* "carpet baggers" and "mournful facts," or judge us by the miserable specimens which have been inflicted upon you. The name of "carpet bagger" stinks in our nostrils as well as yours, and so, too, does that of "pot hunter." I quarrel with no man about his opinions or peculiar notions. He has an indisputable right to them. Because I *think* I am virtuous is no reason why I should wish to deprive others of their cakes and ale. An interchange of opinions and ideas, however, is always desirable, and often productive of much benefit; but I suggest that it is not always the best time to ventilate them when a man's gall bladder is in a state of eruption. An acrid bile will sometimes so change a man's nature *for the time being* that he forgets the courtesy due another.

But we forgive much to one who is afflicted with bile (if it is not chronic) for we know it does not come from the heart, and we believe with the immortal William that "a man may bile and bile and be a good fellow still." So I bear no rancor in any heart towards "Jeems" for being "a little too hard" on me, but rather feel grateful that he "let me down so easy," when his indignation might have driven him "to extremes."

I hope some day to shake hands with him across the *bloodless* chasm. When I do we will *smile* (perchance many times) over this little passage at arms, and we shall probably find out that neither of us is such a bad fellow after all. *So mote it be.*

HAWKEYE.

Letter from Kansas.

KANSAS CITY, May 19, 1877.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—It is no trouble to write, and a great many persons like to write for newspapers; I may say love to write, because it is a passion, and passion is selfishness in its broadest sense, and all people are selfish, *i. e.*, love to gratify their passions or desires. The passion for writing for newspapers or *cacoethes scribendi*, as it is termed, is simply a desire to see one's name or *nom de plume* "in the papers," to see your thoughts and ideas in print, and in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred it matters very little with "your correspondent," whether the subscribers, who pay for the paper, or even the borrowers, are edified or not. Of course every contributor thinks he has written something that's just to the point, and his articles must produce a sensation, while it is no trouble, therefore, to write a letter for a newspaper that will be read with the same zeal and interest by the general reader as it is by the author. Don't you know that newspaper scribblers always look at their own effusions before reading anything else?

On the credit side of the scribbler I must say something, and I don't know that I can express myself more emphatically than by using the words of "one of the gang" long since gone to rest, who, for a long term of years was editor and proprietor of one of the most ably conducted papers in the State of New York, and who published the first epistle of your humble servant. Shortly after the appearance of "my article," this renowned old gentleman met me on the street and said: "Look out, my lad, you may, when you become a man, be an editor, and if you should ever be so unfortunate, of course you must write so as to please everybody; and say you have five columns of reading matter, my advice is, prepare four columns for d—d fools and one for sensible people."

But enough of this. Let me tell your thousands of readers of the beautiful country of Kansas, inexhaustible in its variety of resources, with its mines, forests and prairies, its mountains, cataracts and canons, its valleys, dales and rivulets, the Italy of our country; the brightest skies, the grandest sunsets, the softest twilight and the most brilliant moon and glittering stars; her fair surface covered with the rarest fragrant flowers; the home of the buffalo, deer, elk, turkey, grouse, quail, duck, swan, crane, wild goose, plover and bird of song. Broad, winding streams, clear as the fabled mirror in the halls of the fairies, wind along the green prairies, stretching in airy undulation far away, as if the ocean in its greatest swell stood still with all his rounded billows, fixed and motionless for ever. No other country on the globe equals these wonderful lands of Kansas. Your correspondent feels no hesitancy in stating that there are more prairie chickens and quails in Kansas, than any four states in the Union. From seventy-five to 100 prairie chickens can be bagged in a day by any of our sportsmen, and equally as many quails. Reports from all sections of Kansas report that chickens and quails are more plentiful and in better condition than for years past. Tell the many thousand readers of the CHICAGO FIELD to visit Kansas in August if they wish to enjoy real sport on chickens. Our game law on prairie chickens expires August 1st. Information will be cheerfully furnished to any one who will address Mr. J. E. Caven of the Kansas City *Times*, or Mr. J. H. McGee, a thorough sportsman and gentleman of Kansas City, in regard to the most desirable hunting section.

In your valuable journal we have read the reports of the bench show of dogs held in New York May 8th, 9th and 10th, under the auspices of the Westminster Kennel Club, and, according to the CHICAGO FIELD'S reports, it certainly was a very fine show of dogs, and we are glad to learn that it proved remunerative to the kennel club. We also read with much pleasure the grand success of our old friend Dilley, of Lake City, Minn. Special premium No. 2, for best pointer of any weight, dog or bitch, in the show—a double-barreled breech-loading shot gun, W. W. Greener make, valued at $150—was competed for by thirty-four crack dogs, but were all distanced by the winner, Dilley's Royal Fan. Mr. Dilley, as well as his hard and close working dogs, especially Ranger, is well known through the entire West, and it does the sportsmen of our section good to know that Mr. Dilley has been so fortunate. Ranger is considered throughout this section to be an extraordinary dog and can do more hard work and better execution than any pointer. And we also notice in the CHICAGO FIELD that Jesse Sherwood, of the Edina, Mo., dog kennel, whose dogs are proverbial for their honest and hard working qualities, was more fortunate than any other exhibitor in winning first prizes. His stud dog, Sancho, can't be beat, and his Gordon setter, imported Rupert, is just as fine as silk, All we want and ask is fair play, and we are sure to win. Let us all rejoice in knowing that the West has the finest horses, dogs and wing shots in the world, and last, though not least, the CHICAGO FIELD, the most readable, best printed, most ably conducted, and has four times the circulation of all the other sporting papers published in the States. Long life and success to the CHICAGO FIELD, is the wish of your thousand of readers in this section.

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ABOUT.—At a special meeting of the Central City Sportsmen's Club, of Syracuse, N. Y., held on May 18, the following were elected delegates and alternates to represent the club at the coming state convention: Delegates—James Manning, Geo. W. Edwards, Howard Soule, Jr., Lucius Moses, Frank B. Klock. Alternates—P. J. Brumelkamp, Frank Denison, R. W. Jones, Fred. Frazer, L. S. Denison.

It can be predicted now with reasonable certainty that the state shoot will take place the third week in June, beginning June 18th.

Base Ball.

Championship Games.

CINCINNATI VS. LOUISVILLE.

The game on May 15th was, at the league meeting of May, 17th called a "no go," so it drops out of the record, and will be played again on June 16th. That the umpire did not belong to the league is the excuse for recognizing the "kick."

BOSTON VS. CINCINNATI.

On May 17th a very fine game was played at Cincinnati between the two Reds. An error of Foley's and two bases on balls allowed the first run. The rest were earned. Dr. Draper's umpiring was considerably one sided in favor of the Bostons. He was ultimately hissed off the ground by the crowd. Mathews pitched in splendid style during all but the first and last innings. Safe hits, B., 12; C., 7.

Cincinnati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0
Boston	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	5

HARTFORDS VS. LOUISVILLE.

On May 18th at Louisville an accident, by which Crowley at centre field slipped up on a long fly, let in two runs, and so rattled Devlin that in that and the next inning the Hartfords made 13 safe hits off of him. Both sides played a splendid fielding game. Cassidy pitched well for the New Yorkers.

Louisville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Hartford	0	5	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	12

CHICAGO VS ST. LOUIS.

On May 19th at Chicago these clubs played a very good game. Bradley pitched as he never pitched before, and Nichols was a little wild. The base running of the Browns was not up to grade. Force was not played on account of a contused finger. Bradley and McVey each took first safely three times. Waitt made a magnificent right field catch on the dead run; McVey probably saved two runs in the ninth inning by a very fine foul bound, knocking himself down against the grand stand to get it. Spalding made a beautiful stop of a wild throw of Anson's onto the ground, saving a sure run and putting striker out. Whites generally, except Anson, played a fine game. Smith played second well. Safe hits, C., 15; B., 4; 1st on E., C., 2; B., 1; struck out, Battin, Blong and Remsen. Earned runs, B., 1; C., 4.

Chicago	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	7
St. Louis	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

BOSTON VS. CINCINNATI.

At Cincinnati on May 19th a fair game was played in which the Bostons regularly outbatted "the revived," though the home nine outfielded the Hubites. Fine triple play was made, but not allowed by the umpire. Wright and White were on bases, O'Rourke hit a liner out to left centre, both men ran; Cuthbert caught it, and fielded home, preventing Wright from coming in from third. Hicks fielded to second, White being down near third; he touched the base, and caught Wright between third and home. White given not out. Safe hits, B., 20; C., 7. 1st on E., B., 3; C., 4. Earned runs, B., 4.

Cincinnati	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Boston	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	6

LOUISVILLE VS. HARTFORD.

At Louisville on May 19th these two clubs played a good batting, though only moderate fielding game. The Kentucky club outbatted the Hartfords, doing fine work against Cassidy. Safe hits, L., 17; H., 10. Earned runs, L., 8; H., 0.

Louisville	1	0	2	0	0	5	1	0	0	9
Hartford	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	5

BOSTONS VS. LOUISVILLES.

On May 21st, at Louisville, the Red Stocking's ability to make the most of circumstances, and their grit to go for everything, caused them to win easily an otherwise equal game. Safe hits—B. 4, L. 3; errors—B. 3, L. 4. Morrill's two baser and O'Rourke's three baser earned two runs.

Louisvilles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bos-ons	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	5

CHICAGOS VS. ST. LOUIS.

At St. Louis, on May 22d, the pitching of Bradly was too much for the St. Louis team, of whom Dorgan made 1 and Clapp 2 safe hits. The Whste's eight safe hits: the fielding of the Whites was good, as also that of the Browns, except Clapp at first. Dorgan, who caught, could not throw to second. To Clapp mainly is due the defeat.

St. Louis	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Chicagos	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

HARTFORDS VS. CINCINNATIS.

At Cincinnati, on May 22d, these two clubs indulged in a muffing struggle that ended in favor of the New Yorkers by 6 to 4.

Cincinnatis	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	4
Hartfords	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6

BOSTONS VS. LOUISVILLES.

On May 22d the Bostons again defeated the Louisvilles, the game being close all through, the Bostons winning by four miserable errors on the sixth; Murnan for the Reds, Shaffer for the Grays, indulged in clean home runs *within the grounds*. Devlin had 50 strikes called to 29 off Bond. Six men struck out to "the terror."

Louisvilles	0	3	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	7
Bostons	1	1	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	8

Other Games.

HARTFORD—INDIANAPOLIS.—A not very brilliant game was played at Indianapolis on May 17th, between the above clubs. Hartfords won by 2 to 1. Safe hits 4 to 2 in favor of the New Yorkers. The pitching of Larkin and Nolan was cruel.

INDIANAPOLIS—BOSTON.—At Indianapolis, May 18th, the home team won from the Reds by 2 to 1. The pitching on both sides was killing; six Reds and eight Hoosiers struck out. W. White pitched and J. White caught. Strikes called off White, 44; off Nolan, 48. Bad umpiring. Flint made fine triple play by dropping third strike and passing the ball around from home to third and second; umpire gave Brown out, and none other. Safe hits, 7 to 5, in favor of Hoosiers.

BROWNS—WEST ENDS.—At Milwaukee, on May 18th, the St. Louis Browns had a muffin struggle with the home team, score 13 to 10.

BUCKEYES—SPRINGFIELD.—At Columbus, O., on May 18th, 6 to 2 in favor of home club.

RED CAPS—MINNEAPOLIS.—At St. Paul on May 19th; Red Caps won by 6 to 0.

MEMPHIS REDS—EVANSVILLES.—On May 18th; Reds won by 11 to 2.

BUCKEYES-LIVE OAKS.—On May 21st, at Columbus, O., the Buckeyes hit Cummings for ten safe hits, which, with numerous errors assisted in winning them the game by 9 to 3.

MEMPHIS REDS-SPRINGFIELDERS.—At Springfield, O., on May 21, the Reds played a close, good game, winning by 2 to 1.

HARTFORDS-INDIANAPOLI .—At Indianapolis, on May 21st, a poor batting game gave opportunities for a scratch run which was made on errors in the first inning by the Hartfords; the pitching prevented any further tally. Safe hits—4 to 3 in favor of New York. Flint was sick; Seward catching.

MUTUALS-MINNEAPOLIS.—May 22d, at Minneapolis, Minn. After a good game of ten innings the Janesville team won by 4 to 2.

LIVE OAKS-STANDARDS.—May 22d, at Wheeling, West Virginia, the Lynn club defeated the home team by 12 to 9.

Base Ball Notes.

The new ball decided on at the Indianapolis meeting of the league managers will be ¾ of an ounce pure rubber and to size and weight of pure woollen yarn.

The Indianapolis club start out on a trip to conquer and be conquered on May 28th. The Allegheneys, Tecumsehs and Maple Leaves will know of them.

Barnes has been given sick leave and has gone to Rockford, Illinois, to recuperate from training too soon after an illness. Smith will play second base in his stead.

The Cincinnati *Enquirer* casts an undeserved slur upon the Memphis Reds by saying they are "a cheap club of semi-professional players." They have shown up far more creditably than the Cincinnati Reds by playing steady close games. Enquire within thine own gates.

The Cincinnati *Enquirer* says: "The Chicago people should not be discouraged with their champions losing four out of five of their first games. * * * Bradley has no one to catch him successfully, and the sooner Spalding is substituted the better." Right and wrong. Chicago people are not discouraged. Bradley has two as good catchers as he can possibly get. They'll teach people a trick or two yet; we never saw a worse rattled man than Remsen when McVey and Bradley came the double shuffle on him on May 19th.

—Our correspondent Genesee, writing from Rochester, under date of May 21st, says: "The game of ball played on the 19th inst., between the Athletics, of Philadelphia, and the Rochesters, resulted in a score of 9 to 0, in favor of the Athletics, with only six innings played. During the seventh inning, Manager Bracket, of the Rochester club, withdrew his team on account of dissatisfaction of several decisions made by the umpire. The last decision was so wrong, that the manager was perfectly justified in the course he took. The following is the score for six innings: Athletics, 6; Rochesters 2."

Our Indianapolis correspondent, under date of May 21st, writes, saying: "The games played have been mostly hard fought and close, those with the Buckeyes and Fairbanks being the only walks away. The Chicagos came their usual bluff game and won the game before it was commenced. Those fancy posters, those extraordinarily healthy bats, together with the giant size of some of them did the business. But since the Blues punished the Bostons after their victories at Chicago, they look upon that first games as lost opportunities and are anxiously waiting to demonstrate the fact at the next chance. Chapman of the Louisvilles thinks the Indianapolis, Louisville, Bostons and St. Louis have much the tougher nines, and, with the lively ball counts the Chicagos out of the championship roll. The directors have presented Noland, our pitcher, with a $250 gold watch and chain for nerve he has been displaying.

BLUE.

Answers to Correspondents.

KENNEL.

G. S. W., Genesee.—Give the areca nut; then continue the bromide potassium for a month or six weeks. Chorea is slow to yield.

Jack, San Francisco, Cal.—I have bet that F. Archer, the English jockey, was not twenty-one when he rode his last race last year. Ans.—You win. He was born in 1856.

H. R. B., Atchison.—The rules for field trials were published in full in the CHICAGO FIELD, Vol. VI., No. 18, page 286, and stand good unless the National American Kennel Club alter them to the contrary.

W. M. S.—A good setter bitch has had a litter of pups by a mongrel. What effect, if any, will this have upon her pups by a good dog. Ans.—She will be liable to throw back to the mongrel, and to produce pups as if by him.

A. C. P. MADISON.—I would like to obtain a good greyhound—pup preferred—where can I get one. Ans.—We can not say, as unfortunately for our readers, breeders and owners of this beautiful hound have not made use of our advertising columns.

X. Y. Z., Boston.—(1) I have been told that an Englishman has thrown a cricket ball further than did Hatfield a base ball. Is it so? (2) What is the best English throw with the cricket ball. Ans.—(1) No. (2) G. Forbes, at Eton College sports threw 396 feet.

L. C. S., Cordova.—I have a young dog that is troubled with a kind of louse or flea that I never saw before. Will you tell me how to get rid of them? Ans.—Soak the dog's coat with oil and wash out the next day. Be careful the dog does not catch cold while the oil is on him.

DOCTOR, St. Louis.—My pointer has sore ear tips and canker in the ear; can you tell me how to apply the proper remedy and keep it applied? I know what to use, but have failed to keep anything on. Ans.—Wash the sores with carbolic soap, dry, and apply mutton tallow; then take a small piece of common sticking plaster, clip away the hair from about the sores, and fold the plaster over the place so that it will stick to both sides of the ear. This will prevent the dog shaking the scabs off the sores, which is all that is necessary.

S. W. C., Princeton.—Please tell me how to cure a dog of eating eggs. I have tried putting pepper in them, and whipping, without success. Ans.—Put into an egg sufficient tartar emetic to vomit the dog well, and, unless he is different from any other dog we have ever seen he will not try another.

C. M. G., Pittsburgh.—My dog had distemper two years since; the discharge from the nose hardened and the nose has become hard and dry ever since. I have applied tallow without effect. Can you tell me what to do? Ans.—Your dog is suffering from a chronic low fever, which will require a persistent long-continued course of alteratives to eradicate. Give for two days, night and morning, three grains nitre powder and one-quarter grain tartar emetic mixed, and put dry upon the dog's tongue. Follow for a month at least, unless favorable results appear sooner, with a tablespoonful of cod-liver oil twice a day.

J. A., Middlebury.—I have a dog that is not altogether right. She seems weak through the hind parts, and if she runs she appears blind and falls down, but after lying for a while gets better. She is in good condition and has a good appetite. I do not think she has worms or that the trouble is nervous, but would like your opinion and advice. Do dogs die of this malady, or is it only weakness? Ans.—Your dog is probably suffering from meningitis, which is very prevalent and frequently fatal. Give a teaspoonful elixer bromide potassium three times a day, mixed with a tablespoonful extract beef, iron and wine. We have known of several cases of death from this disease, and deem strict attention in the early stages absolutely necessary to insure life.

G. N A., Baltimore.—I have a setter over two years old that seems out of order. There is a slight accumulation of matter in the corners of his eyes; his nose is warm but moist, and this morning there was some congealed blood in his fæces. He is in fine condition, with good appetite, and as lively as ever, but somewhat thirsty. What is the matter and what can I do for him? Ans.—Such symptoms are frequently exhibited in cases of slight derangement of the system, and are not sufficiently pronounced to warrant any certain decision of the trouble. So long as the dog does not grow worse, or new symptoms do not appear, content yourself with giving him three times a day one drop of fluid extract of aconite in water. If new symptoms appear let us hear from you promptly.

VETERINARY.

L. P. C., St. Paul, Minn.—I have a few young head of colts that seem to have taken cold, their noses are running, eyes watering, and their throats considerably swollen and a slight cough. They feed and drink as well as could be expected under the circumstances. Is there any danger, and is it necessary to do anything, or let nature take her course? Ans.—As long as the colts are feeding and no alarming amount of weakness set in, all that is necessary is to apply counter-irritation to their throats freely, give them good shelter and nourishing food; but watch carefully for aggrivated symptoms. Good nursing in such cases is invaluable.

D. L., Lansing, Mich.—Is it ever necessary to file the back teeth of horses? I have heard it spoken of, but have been incredulous, and now am going to consult your veterinarian to settle the question in my mind. Ans.—On account of the teeth wearing obliquely—the upper rows slanting downwards and outwards and the lower rows *vice versa*, it is often necessary to rasp off the sharp edges of the teeth of horses of eight or nine years and upwards occasionally to prevent scarification of the tongue and cheek. There are rasps made on purpose for the operation. Oftentimes the teeth are so much out of order as to prevent proper mastication of food, which causes indigestion and numerous other diseases.

L. N., Corning, Ia.—One of my horses is lame in his left fore foot. About five months ago he picked up a nail in the street, which laid him up for two months, and I think he never has got entirely over it, as he is continually lame on that foot, which has become of a different shape from the other; his feet are inclined to be flat but this one has become very much fuller between the hair and the toe and does not mate the other at all, and is warmer than the other, and he points it whenever he stops. Will you please tell me what you think is the cause of difference in shape, and if anything can be done for the lameness? Ans.—The wound from the nail must have caused a good deal of inflammation; and there was effusion and subsequent ossification between the ospedis and the hoof, resulting from that inflammation, causing the difference in form of the hoofs. That foot is, as is popularly expressed in such cases, foundered and is incurable; but palliative treatment can be used, such as keeping the foot soft and cool by means of a puddle of clay, cold wet swabs, packings etc., or neurotomy as a last resort.

J. D., Springfield, Ill.—I have a nice pair of sorrel mares that drive very nicely together; while out driving a few days ago after a rain one of them slipped outward with the right hind foot, which hurt her very much at the time, as she went home lame, and the next morning her right hock was very much swollen all around and very sore. I bathed it well with cold water and have repeated it many times since; the swelling and soreness have diminished very much but she is still lame and there is considerable fullness on the back of the hock where a curb comes. Do you think there is danger of a curb? What can I do to prevent it? She was shod with a three-quarter shoe to prevent interfering. Ans.—The slipping undoubtedly caused a very severe sprain of the ligaments of the hock, especially of the calcaneo-cuboid which runs from the point of the os calcis to the head of the meta tarsal, over the posterior aspect of the hock, and a sprain of which causing enlargement constitutes curb. The swelling of the other portions diminishing indicates that the posterior ligaments were mostly affected, and the rest enlarged from the extension of the swelling from that part. *Treatment.*—You did right in applying cold water, but in such cases it should be done continuously for two or three hours and repeated often till it produces the desired effects. After the acute inflammation is subdued hot fomentations and stimulating liniments should be used, after three or four weeks, if the enlargement does not go down, apply a blister of biniodide of mercury one drachm, lard one ounce, and mix it with a similar quantity of fly blister and rub it well in over the curb. First of all raise the heel of the shoe one inch, being careful to have them (the heel calks) of the same height and give absolute rest for a few weeks. Feed on soft or green food.

Natural History.

The Plovers.

BY COL. A. G. BRACKETT, U. S. ARMY.

There are several varieties of plover found in the western portion of the United States, prominent among which may be mentioned the Golden, Mountain, Killdeer, Piping and Black-bellied. Their characteristics are mainly the same, and their different appearance has been modified, in all probability, by climate and locality. They are all brownish black in color, have moderately long bills and legs, with no hind toe, and live near the sea shore and on the uplands, according to circumstances. Some of them are as large as doves, while others are considerably smaller. Those on the sea coast make a slight depression in the sand where they deposit their eggs, leaving them to be hatched out by the sun in warm weather, and sitting on them only during the night or when it is rainy.

The piping plover (*Aegialitis Melodus*) is of a lightish brown, differing somewhat from the ordinary brownish black, is a rapid flier and runner, and so nearly the color of the sand near the banks of the rivers that when squatting down it is difficult to detect it. Its notes are soft and mellow, approaching those of a song bird, and its small size prevents its being sought after by the sportsman, though the flesh is savory and very delicate. The black-bellied plover (*Squaterola Helvetica*) is the largest of the American birds of this group, being a foot in length. The golden plover (*Charadrius Virginicus*) is nearly the same size, with a spread of wings of about two feet. The male is brownish black above, with numerous spots of golden yellow on the upper part of the tail. After the autumnal moult the black of the under parts gives place to light grayish with darker spots and streaks. Plovers are usually seen in small flocks, their food consisting of small insects, mollusks, worms and berries, which they hunt for more diligently in the evening than at any other time. The nests of the golden plover contain from three to five eggs, of an olive green color, with black spots.

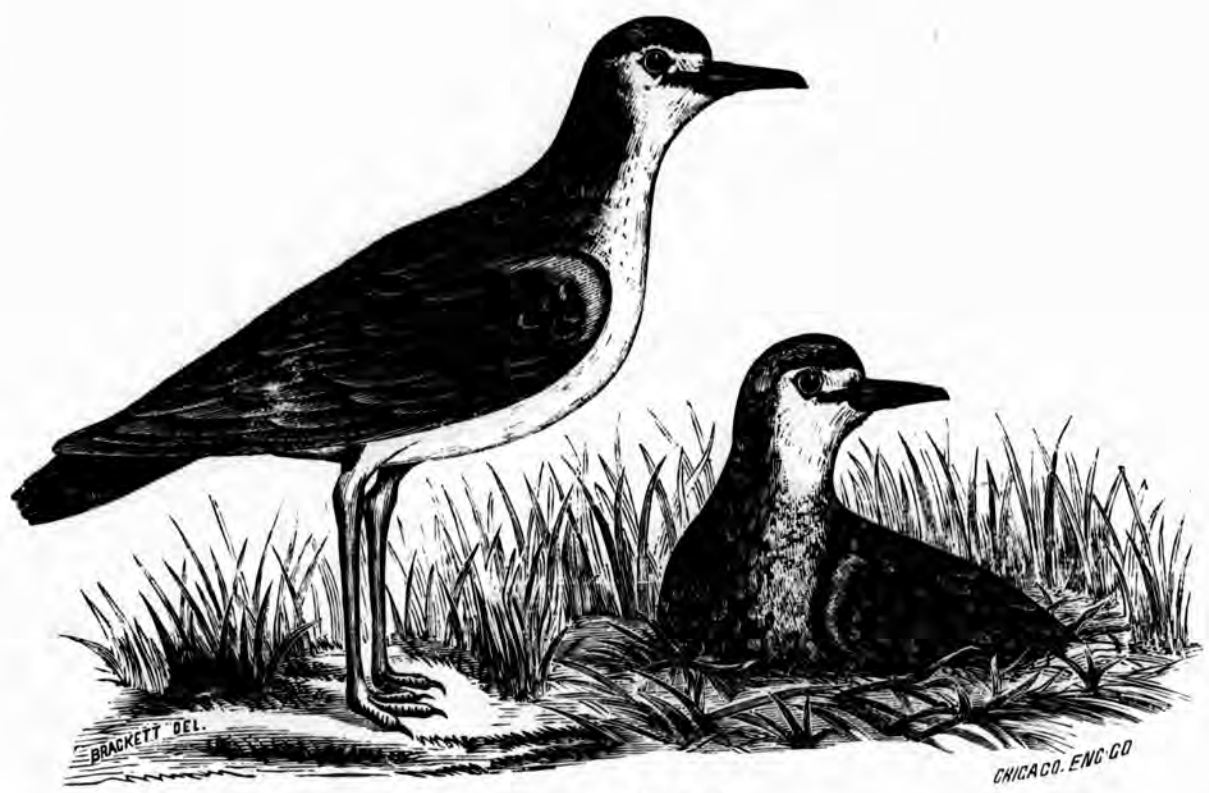
These birds strike the ground with their feet to cause the worms to make their appearance, when they seize them at once. Like the snipes, they visit the water early in the morning to enjoy the luxury of a bath, and wash their bills and feet. They are rarely seen more than twenty-four in the same place, as in that time they generally manage to exhaust the food supply of any particular locality. They migrate when the snow falls and the frost begins to be intense, as their resources of provisions are then cut off, and they are deprived of water, which their constitution renders indispensable to them. When seeking food they keep sentinels out who give warning in case any danger approaches. The flocks disperse at evening, each bird passing the night by itself, but at the dawn of day they all assemble again, the first one that awakes giving a call to the others.

I found several mountain plover (*Aegialitia Montanus*) very near Fort Sanders, and for several days they occupied the same spot, and were evidently preparing to build their nests near by. I thought they were snipe at first, and having seen them near the road several mornings in succession determined to secure them. They were very tame indeed, and when teams passed them would not run more than two rods out of the way. Lieutenant Clark went out with his shot gun and found them near the road where to all appearances they had permanently established themselves. They were all sitting down in the brown grass, and their color resembled it so closely that it was impossible to distinguish them at first, as they did not move. Lieutenant Clark killed one, then another, then another, and finally a fourth, within a circuit of four rods, and, what was remarkable, not of the birds stirred during the time the firing was going on. It seemed as if they thought they were entirely concealed; and so they were in fact, with the exception of their heads and long bills, which were the only things visible. They are about nine inches in length, and very much resemble the kill-deer in appearance, though they have not the black bands of feathers round their necks, which give the kill-deer so bright an appearance. The markings about the eyes and forehead, however, are nearly the same.

At evening the air in certain localities in the mountains during the Summer time is filled with a kind of plover called kill-deer (*Aegialitis Vociferus*) which fly about, calling to one another apparently in the greatest glee and excitement. They swarm near creeks that have overflown their banks, and after they have sailed about to their heart's content, congregate in the mud and on the greensward, where they chatter away and bob their heads, as if they had a great deal of important business on hand. They fly rapidly through the air, circling about, first in one place and then in another, and always appear to be in a great hurry. I canno imagine why they received the name of kill-deer unless it is their peculiar cry, which sounds something like those words. This bird is ten inches long, with a spread of wings of twenty inches and weighs about half a pound. The general color is grayish, with white throat and breast; it has long legs fitted for wading; breeds in June in the uplands, and has a nest in the grass, where there are usually four cream colored eggs with irregular brown and black blotches. It has a habit of feeding at night as well as in the day time, and lives in perpetual fear of the hawks, which make great havoc among the flocks.

The flesh of the killdeer, like most other species of plover, is excellent eating, and sportsmen sometimes shoot them to supply their tables; but the old mountaineers and Indians, who hunt mostly with the rifle, pay but little attention to them. Their wild cries, and particularly vociferous noises have given them a scientific name which is certainly well merited. When darting about in the air, and holloing to each other with all their might, it is not strange that the hawks soon ascertain their whereabouts, and proceed to attack them at once. It is only strange that they are able to keep out of the way at all, for more noisy, busy-bodies I have never met with in the mountains.

I have seen a great many of these birds near the Wind River Mountains, in Wyoming territory, and they are quite common, not only in the valley of the Great Salt Lake in Utah, but in the Territories of Idaho and Montana. Mr. H. W. Henshaw says: "The old birds are devoted parents, and when the safety of their offspring is threatened will venture almost within the grasp of the pursuer, squatting in the sand, feigning a broken wing or leg, and thus endeavoring to lead away the enemy while pleading in undertone for pity." This simulated lameness is quite common, and you can scarcely ride along a mountain road in the Spring without meeting these birds, who will endeavor to lead you away from their nests and little ones. This remark will apply equally well to the mountain plover, their habit in this respect being much the same



THE PLOVERS.

In April of this year (1877) I drove a number of mountain plovers before me while out with several horsemen on the Laramie plains. The birds were no doubt making their nests on the uplands, and as we passed by they ran away, but made no effort to fly except perhaps to a very short distance. This unwelcome intrusion upon their ground they did not fancy at all, and gave us anything but kind looks. However, we did not interfere with them in any way, and after we were gone they resumed their own ground, and built their nests in peace. It has always appeared strange to me that the nest of the birds which are built on the open plains are not more frequently disturbed by cattle and horses stepping on them. This however is of rare occurrence, as they are generally shielded by some neighboring bush or bunch of grass. When sitting on the nest it is almost impossible to distinguish the birds, their color being so much like that of the surrounding grass, and this is the reason why the hawks do not find them more frequently. If the hawks were able to discover them they would soon succeed in destroying the whole species. I have frequently met a mountain plover mother with her brood on the road, the whole of them running for dear life as I passed along.

The young of the plover run about as soon as they are hatched, and more cunning little creatures cannot be found anywhere. They pick up seeds, which are plentiful enough amid the grass, and thus manage to get a good living with very little trouble. The mountain plover is scarcely ever seen in the Eastern States, but it extends its range well to the southward in Winter, perhaps as far as South America.

This bird is known as the *pluvier*, or rain bird, from its habit of running about more frequently just before a rain is coming on, and as the French formerly supposed, giving notice of falling weather. In my own experience I have thought they seemed more lively when a rain was approaching, and showed themselves in greater numbers than was their wont. At all events it was from this circumstance they derived their name, which is well-known everywhere.

After the mountain plover had commenced making their nests in the Spring of 1877, we had some frightful storms of snow, wind and rain, and how the poor birds managed to live is something I cannot well understand, as they were exposed to the whole force of the wind, and it would seem as if they were buried up under the snow.

DOGS ADAPTED TO SPORT IN AMERICA.—A very important subject to every American sportsmen, discussed fully in the American Kennel and Sporting Field by Arnold Burges. Sent on receipt of price by addressing the author Arnold Burges, Hillsdale, Mich., or Marsh & Co., 150 East Madison street, Chicago.—[*Advertisement*].

Amusements.

McVICKER'S THEATRE.—Owing to the late moderate weather, Miss Eytinge has had better patronage than during the week previous. But we are astonished to find that so highly cultivated an artist has not obtained better houses. But most people seem to run after circuses and side shows and leave the exposition of high art to be benefited by the few.

HAVERLEY'S THEATRE.—This house has been occupied during the week by Deakin's Liliputian Comic Opera Company, or an exhibition of manikins and giants. As an exhibition of histrionic art it can hardly be highly commended, though, as a show, it is worthy the attention of show lovers.

MUSEUM.—This house has kept up its unusually good bills of fair, and has obtained a fair share of public patronage. It is now just the sort of entertainment for those who do not wish to wind themselves up for any effort of appreciation, but rather prefer to sit quietly and be amused and pleased at a good laughter moving performance.

ADELPHI.—Haverley's Minstrel troupe has been holding this house with a really excellent programme. The stars are of the first magnitude, and the music at the beginning has been as pleasant as the fun at the end has been absurd. Minstrelsy is popular in Chicago, and as long as it is served up fresh and varied, it will fill houses.

Miscellaneous.

Antelope Hawking.

Mr. Arthur Newall writing to our English ex change, the *Field*, says:

Sir,—It was with some pleasure I read "Falco Sacer's" account of the mode of taking deer in the Panjab with falcons and hounds. It certainly must be exciting sport, but he is quite mistaken in saying it is a sport "known to few." From the manner in which "Sacer" writes I imagine he has seen little of falconry, and perhaps never had a falcon of his own. I wish merely to point out that the taking of deer with falcons has been known to falconers for a long time. Belany, in his "Treatise upon Falconry," printed in 1841, says "eagles and large hawks" are trained "to hunt the stag, the wild boar, the antelope, the gazelle," etc., in the east.

Mr. Johnston, in his "sketches of Indian field sports," writes "that all the native gentlemen of India who were in the least degree fond of sporting kept hawks of various kinds, and never travelled without them. The largest kind are trained to kill deer by pitching on their heads, and picking out their eyes," as well as fowl.

In Sir J. Malcom's "sketches of Persia" there is an account similar to the one "Falco Sacer" has given us; but he adds: "The part of the chase that surprised me most was the extraordinary combination of the hawks and dogs, which throughout seemed to look to each other for one anothers aid." This I was told was the result of long and skilful training.

I would refer your readers to Capt. Burton's "Falconry in the valley of the Indus," wherein he gives his experience; but I am sorry the book does not treat of falconry as an art, but seems to relate a tale of a large picnic, combined with some hawking. The frontispiece is a very spirited drawing, by J. Wolf, of a goshawk who has fixed on a gazelle's head. I have read in some book, which I cannot lay my hands on again, a manner of training falcons to take deer. The skin of a deer was mounted upon a stand furnished with wheels. The hawk was fed on its head, the meat being fixed between the horns. As the bird got on the stuffed stag was moved by men then by horses; and when the hawk would fly to the deer, going as fast as the horses could move it, it was entered to a live one.

Capt. Baldwin, in his book on the "Games of Bengal," gives the description of the ravine deer, and refers to a passage in Jerdon's book: "The gazelle is occasionally hunted by dogs, with the aid of the saker falcon (Falco cherrug), which strikes the antelope on the head and confuses it, so that the dogs come up and catch it. Without this aid the dogs have very little chance, though now and then I have known one pulled down." This reminds me of an old engraving I saw in a friend's studio in Rome, of a hawk striking a hare, and two greyhounds close behind. How old this was I could not tell; but hawks and dogs have been used together ever since falconry was known, and I have read that greyhounds were used in heron hawking to keep the quarry on the wing.

[This is a hint to some of our readers who live out west who may be able to enjoy fine sport after the antelopes on the plains.—ED.]

HUNGER AND COLD AS AFFECTING BEES.—*Nature* gives the results of some interesting experiments made with bees, by Herr Donhoff. "He took some bees from the hive, just as they came out of the entrance hole, and placed them under a glass bell at a temperature of nineteen degrees, C. (66 F.). First they ran hastily up and down the sides of the glass and flew about in the jar. Later on their movements became less hasty, and after forty-five minutes they all sat quietly together, moved slowly and clumsily. They were no longer able to fly about. He let a few crawl upon a pencil, and by giving it a jerk threw them into the air; they fell down perpendicularly without giving a humming sound, *i. e.*, without moving their wings. He killed and opened one or two, and found their honey-bags empty. To the others he then gave a solution of sugar, and after they had fed for about three and a half or four minutes he again threw some into the air. They no longer fell down perpendicularly, but a little further off, and also moved their wings. A minute afterwards they did not fall down at all but flew to the window; they had become the same lively insects as before. If the temperature is under nineteen degrees C. they lose the power of flying even sooner, and a longer period elapses before it returns after they are fed on sugar-water. In higher temperature the power returns sooner. Herr Donhoff thinks it probable 'that the bee loses the power of flying because it does not posses the necessary strength to be converted into muscular action, and that this strength returns to its system because in sugar it finds the necessary vital support.'"

MILWAUKEE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.—On August 30, 1876, among the prominent citizens who lent a helping hand to the association, and still aid its working were: Hon. P. V. Deuster, C. J. Kershaw, O. B. Hopkins, J. B. Hill, John Johnston, M. Kraws, Alex. McD. Young, Wm. Young, James McDonald, J. A. Dutcher, E. R. Persons, W. P. McLaren, R. Hill, and many others, while of younger gentlemen there were many. A great deal of work in helping to bring the matter before the public was done by Mr. S. K. McNeall, who was one of the organizers. The society now has a good membership, which will be greatly increased the coming season. Arrangements have been made for the occupancy of the Cream City Park until May, 1878, so that a good season may be expected. The Park is large enough so that many games can be engaged in at the same time. In this way members can have choice of games for recreation. Games are also to be arranged for ladies, and those of the fair sex who wish to recreation can do so. The only days reserved by the association are the days when competitive games are to be played, such as contested games of base ball, cricket, la crosse, foot ball, etc. On those days an admission will be charged. The following are the present officers: President, Hon. P. V. Deuster; First Vice President, O. B. Hopkins; Second Vice President, James McDonald; Secretary and Treasurer, J. B. Hill; Corresponding Secretary, Dr. G. A. Stark. Directors: C. J. Kershaw, Alex. McD. Young, Robert Hill, W. T. Durand, W. A. Nowell, Geo. Hooley, Geo. Oxborrow, B. M. Weil, E. R. Persons, and J. A. Deutcher. The association has provided apparatus for games of base ball, cricket, la crosse, foot ball, putting the stone, throwing the hammer, tossing the caber, quoits, jumping, vaulting, etc., etc. We think this the most liberally constituted association for the encouragement of general athletic games of which we know, and extend to it a hearty welcome, and our best wishes for its success. There is no reason why all active young men should not join the association, for the expenses are so small; one dollar initiation fee, one dollar 1st of May, and one dollar 1st of August each year. The evenings are long, so that those who cannot get away in the day can participate in them.

W. B.

HARVARD ATHLETIC SPORTS.—The Summer meeting of the Harvard Athletic Association was held at Beacon Park, Brighton, on May 19. The weather was auspicious and the attendance unprecedentedly large. The one mile race was won in 5m. 3s. by C. G. James. In the three mile race the contestants were the same as in the one-mile race, and Ward was the victor in 15m. 56s., Lowell being second, in 17m. 46s. The one-mile walk was won by W. Leonard, in 8m. 34¾s., against W. C. Price, and C. M. Stone. Running high jump was won by C. W. Hubbard, with 5 ft. 2. For the 100 yards, B. S. Blanchard beat J. Cowden and W. H. Dunklee in 11⅛s. T. H. Simmons took the half mile in 2:16 from C. G. James, and the quarter mile in 58⅛s. from B. S. Blanchard.

TRAINING FOR DISTANCE RUNNING.—We have had asked us this week "How can I best train to run distances of a mile and three miles?" The first thing to find out is, from your medical man, whether you can stand the strain. If so, then at once sweat off all superfluous flesh. Do not bother with pills and draughts, for they are more harm than good unless your bowels are deranged. Take abundance of *walking* exercise. Rise at the usual hour and take a good walk, beginning slow to get the muscles in working order, and increasing the pace gradually up to a pitch of real physical exertion. Take a plunge, shower or sponge bath when *quite warm, or thoroughly cooled off*. Rub dry and vigorously to get the skin into a healthy glow. Rest till breakfast, and having eaten slowly and quietly, rest again for at lehst ¾ of an hour before exertion. Put in a lot of hard walking or running in the middle of the day, and rest as before. Practice over your distance and running short spurts in the evening. Rub down after exercise. Diet need not be unduly restricted beyond the avoidance of irregular hours at meals, and of all heating and indigestible substances. Hot cakes and biscuits, new bread, hashes, starchy puddings, and pastry should be utterly avoided; otherwise eat to satisfy hunger, and of food to suit the inclination of the palate. If there is a jaded feeling after about a month's training, take an entire rest for a day, and go to work again.

FOUR MILE RACE.—The third heat between the amateur distance cracks W. Slade and J. Gibbs was run off at the new grounds of the London Athletic Club, at Stamford Bridge, on April 28th. The new grounds have been erected at considerable cost and are out in Chelsea, and convenient to the great city. The race was hardly ever in doubt, for Gibb took the lead and ran away at a terrific pace, running Slade out before two miles were accomplished. Slade has to go through the mill of sundry defeats and lots of work before he can hold his own at four miles against such a little sticker as Gibb, whose time was

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OWENS-MARTIN.—All the money for the collar and elbow championship match between these men is up. Harry Hill is referee.

ACCEPTED.—The backers of Warren Smith, of Halfax, N. S., have formerly accepted the challenge of Wallace Ross, of New Brunswick. Smith will go into training at once.

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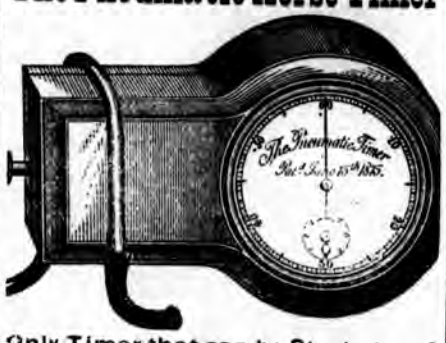

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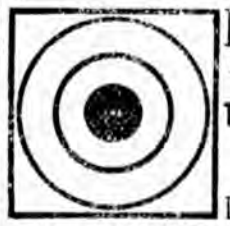

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Classes	3:00	2:40	2:50	
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Purses for above classes $400 each. Entries close with Jas. A. Robinson, Secretary, Wednesday, May 30.

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JUNE 12, 13, 14, and 15.

PREMIUMS, - - - - $5,000

Classes 2:34	3:00	2:40	2:50	
	2:30	2:26		Free for all.

Purses for above classes, $600 each, except free for all, which is $800. Entries close with De Forest Davis, Treasurer, International Hotel, Monday, June 4.

GRAND RAPIDS,

JUNE 19, 20, 21, and 22.

PREMIUMS, - - - - $7,000

Classes	3:00	2:40	2:50	2:34
	2:30	2:23	2:26	Free for all.

Purses for above classes, $800 each. Entries close with Geo. S. Ward, Secretary, Monday, June 4.

JACKSON,

JUNE 26, 27, 28, and 29.

PREMIUMS, - - - - $8,000

Classes	3:00	2:40	2:50	2:34
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Purses, $1,000 each. Entries close with George W. Kennedy, Treasurer, Monday, June 4.

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JULY 3, 4, 5, and 6.

PREMIUMS, - - - - $8,000

Classes	3:00	2:40	2:50	2:34
	2:30	2:23	2:26	2:17

Purses for 3:00 and 2:50 races, $700 each; purses for 2:40 and 2:34 races, $800 each; purses for 2:30, 2:26, and 2:23 races, $1,000; purse for 2:17 race, $2,000. Entries close with Charles Dupont, Secretary and Treasurer, Monday, June 4.

At Muskegon, Kalamazoo, and Grand Rapids will be given running purses, and, at Kalamazoo, a handicap four-year-old trotting purse. For conditions as to these races, and all others, see small circulars, which will be forwarded by officers above named to any address, upon application. 7-12-tf

FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

—OF THE—

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, DRIVING PARK ASSOCIATION,

—TO BE HELD—

JUNE 12, 13, 14 and 15, 1877.

PREMIUMS, $4,100!

First Day—Tuesday, June 12.

1. Purse $500, for 2:38 class.
2. Purse $500, for 3:00 class.

Second Day—Wednesday, June 13.

3. Purse $500, for 2:43 class.
4. Purse $500, for 2:28 class.

Third Day—Thursday, June 14.

5. Purse $500, for 2:48 class.
6. Purse $200, for Linn County, (Iowa), horses owned 60 days previous, barring Hartford and Regent.

Fourth Day- Friday, June 15.

7. Purse $500, for 2:33 class.
8. Purse $600, free to all.
9. Purse $300, Citizens' Novelty race, two mile dash, running, to rule.

All trotting is to be mile heats, best 3 in 5, to harness, and will be conducted under the rules and regulations of the National Association, as amended Feb'y 9, 1876.

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Entrance fee, 10 per cent of purse; four to enter, three to start.

Entries close on Monday, June 4, 1877, at 11 P. M., and must be addressed to P. MARTEL, Secretary' Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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J. W. VAIL, Pres't. P. MARTEL, Sec'y.
7-12-4t G. W. BEVER, Treas'r.

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—OF THE—

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FIRST DAY—Tuesday, June 5th.

No. 1.—$500. For horses with no record below 3:20; first horse, $250; second, $125; third, $75; fourth, $50.

No. 2.—$500. For horses with no record below 2:30; first horse, $250; second, $125; third, $75; fourth, $50.

No. 3.—$300. Novelty Race, two mile dash to rule. The first horse to the quarter pole, $25, the first horse to the half mile pole, $50, the first horse to the three-quarter mile pole, $50, the first horse to the mile pole, $75, the first horse making two miles, $100.

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Second Day—Wednesday, June 6th.

No. 5.—$250. Given by the Julien and Tremont Houses, for horses owned in Dubuque County, that have no record below 3:00. First horse, $100; second, $75; third, $50; fourth, $25.

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No. 7.—$500. For horses with no record below 2:35; first horse, $250; second, $125; third, $75; fourth, $50.

Third Day—Thursday, June 7th.

No. 8.—$500. For horses with no record below 3:00; first horse, $250; second, $125; third, $75; fourth, $50.

No. 9.—$300. Running, mile heats, to rule, best three in five; first horse, $200; second, $75; third, $25.

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1877.

THREE MEETINGS!

FIRST MEETING.

First Day, Tuesday, June 12.

1. Purse $800, for 2:24 class; $400 to first, $200 to second, $120 to third, $80 to fourth.
2. Purse $400, for 3:00 class; $200 to first, $100 to second, $60 to third, $40 to fourth.

Second Day, Wednesday, June 13.

3. Purse $700, for 2:30 class; $350 to first, $180 to second, $100 to third, $70 to fourth.
4. Purse $500, for 2:45 class; $250 to first, $125 to second, $75 to third, $50 to fourth.

Third Day, Thursday, June 14.

5. Purse $500, for 2:34 class; $250 to first, $125 to second, $75 to third, $50 to fourth.
6. Purse $400, for 2:50 class; $200 to first, $100 to second, $60 to third, $40 to fourth.

Fourth Day, Friday, June 15.

7. Purse $500, for 2:40 class; $250 to first, $125 to second, $75 to third, $50 to fourth.
8. Purse $1,200, for 2:19 class; $600 to first, $300 to second, $180 to third, $120 to fourth.

Entries for trotting in the first meeting will close on SATURDAY, JUNE 2, at 11 P. M.

SECOND MEETING.—RUNNING AND TROTTING.

First Day, Saturday, June 30.

1. Purse $250; dash mile and one-quarter, for all ages; $200 to first, $50 to second.
2. Garden City Stakes, for three-year-olds; $50 each, p. p., $300 added; second horse to receive $100; mile and repeat. To close June 1.
3. Purse $300, mile heats, for all ages; $250 to first, $50 to second.
4. Trotting Purse $500, for 2:40 class; $250 to first, $125 to second, $75 to third, $50 to fourth.

Second Day, Mond y, July 2.

5. Purse $200, dash one mile and one-eighth, for all ages; $150 to first, $50 to second.
6. Hotel Stake, for two-year-olds, $25 each, p. p., $150 added; second horse to receive $50; dash three-quarters of a mile. To close June 1.
7. Purse $450, dash two miles, for all ages; $350 to first, $100 to second.
8. Trotting Purse $600, for 2:26 class; $300 to first, $150 to second, $90 to third, $60 to fourth.

Third Day, Tuesday, July 3.

9. Purse $300, dash of one mile and three-quarters, for all ages; $250 to first, $50 to second.
10. Dexter Park Stake, for three-year-olds; $50 each, p. p., $300 added; dash of one mile and one-half; the winner of the Garden City Stakes to carry 5 lbs. penalty; second horse to receive $100. To close June 1.
11. Purse $500, dash of two miles and three-quarters, for all ages; $350 to first, $100 to second, $50 to third.
12. Trotting purse $1,200, for 2:19 class; $600 to first, $300 to second, $180 to third, $120 to fourth.

Fourth Day, Wednesday, July 4.

13. Purse $500, two miles and repeat, for all ages; $350 to first, $150 to second.
14. Consolation Purse $200, for beaten horses; horses beaten once allowed 5 lbs., twice 10 lbs., three times 15 lbs.; $150 to first, $50 to second; mile and repeat.
15. Purse $300, hurdle race, all mile heats, over four hurdles; welter weights; $250 to first, $50 to second.
16. Purse $180 for gentlemen riders, one mile and one-eighth; welter weights, $100 to first, $50 to second.
17. Trotting purse $600; 2:33 class; $300 to first, $150 to second, $90 to third, $60 to fourth.

Stake Race, for three-year-olds; $50 each, p. p., $300 added, second horse to receive $100; dash of two miles; winners of Garden City and Dexter Park Stakes to carry 5 lbs. penalty. To close June 1.

N. B.—This stake to be run on WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, during the Summer meeting, the programme for which will be issued in a few days, and will comprise Trotting and Running as heretofore. Premiums of about $15,000 will be offered for the regular Summer Meeting.

Entries for trotting in the Second meeting will close on SATURDAY, JUNE 23, at 11 P. M.

CONDITIONS.

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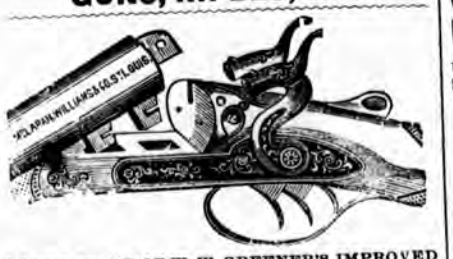

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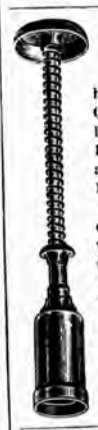

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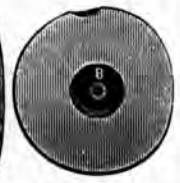

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